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Agenda Item: Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearing

Meeting Date: 08/27/24 Minutes Exhibit: 8.14

Taxpayer does or does not want to speak at the hearing: Taxpayer does want to speak at the hearing.

Type of Tax: Property Tax

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## Description of Issues:

I would like to speak about the need to Fix Prop 19. To reinstate our Proposition 58 rights to pass property to children without additional Prop 19 taxes due to reassessment. Prop 19's improved "Portability" benefits should be kept, but provisions that reversed Prop 58 parent/child transfer rules should not.

At a time when California is struggling to provide affordable homes, by virtue of Prop 19 high additional taxes, many inheriting children cannot afford to keep their inherited primary residences. Children are being forced to move away from their homes and communities because they are no longer affordable.

Children who inherit rentals are passing on Prop 19 higher taxes to tenants via rent increases, or selling rental property, because they can no longer offer affordable rent. Family businesses are closing because the higher Prop 19 taxes cannot be absorbed or passed on via higher prices.

Prop 19 is hurting families, tenants and businesses.

This issue is linked to the "Fix Prop 19" and "Repeal the Death Tax" movements. If I am unable to speak at that hearing please enter this Comment into the Record.

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