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HB 3492-1

Chair Barnhart and members of the committee:

The OWRC has concerns about this bill.

1. The wording shall not may on page 1 line 5 removes a county and other government's ability to make decisions about their property taxes. In a time when many local governments and school districts are still struggling should they not have a say in giving up property tax.
2. The fee of \$7000 is a flat fee. There are no provisions for cost of living increases.
3. The time for cancellation of property taxes is 20 years. Is this not excessive?

In doing minimal research I have found at least one project that appears to have run out of the three year enterprise zone deferral. For one job does the county want to exchange deferral for fees.

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