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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

Measure: SB498

My name is Angelita Sanchez. I am the co-director of Timber Unity. I am submitting testimony in support of SB 498.

I do not own a forest or a farm, I have no conflict of interest to declare, and I receive no finacial benefit for supporting this bill.

However I am speaking on behalf of the 60,000 members in the natural resource industries. Those members are Ranchers, Farmers, Loggers, and Fishers. This bill will directly impact their ability to continue sustaining the land. It would allow them to not be forced off their generational land and continue to provide the opportunity to produce food and fiber.

We know that the cost of managing the lands are increasing and we have to offer people financial relief.

I urge the committee to support the simplification of this tax code, as suggested in this senate bill.

Thank you for your consideration.

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