

Submitter: Sherry Bullard
On Behalf Of: HJR 201
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: HJR201

I am writing to voice my opposition to House Bill HJR 201.

The public has voted in previous times to limit property tax raises to 3%. This bill is nothing but an end run around the voters expressed will. We already pay some of the highest property taxes in the country.

By taking the taxing authority from local governments you will be lumping smaller less affluent towns with the larger urban areas. Smaller towns have different needs and a greater proportion of retired fixed income residents. This proposal will drastically increase the burden of people already watching their dollar shrink every year. Will you force us to leave our state or try to cut food/medical bills in order to pay more in taxes?

Public health and safety is important, but you are putting an undue stress on the population and this end run around an already settled issue will not sit favorably with voters. If the legislature wishes to remain democratic this is not the route to take.

I respectfully ask that this bill not be passed.

Sincerely,

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