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STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION 
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Agenda Item(s):

2. Overview of Proposition 15

Comment:

I am a mother of a rising second grader in Redwood City. Last year my daughter's school was one of 4 that closed, because the district couldn't afford to keep these schools open. In the state with the highest GDP, in one of the wealthiest counties in the country the lack of funding for schools is appalling. Prop 15 would reclaim \$12 billion every year for our schools and communities by closing corporate property tax loopholes -- all while protecting homeowners and renters, small businesses, and agriculture. We can't pay teachers, librarians, or garbage collectors 1978 wages (or 1982 wages, or 1998 wages, etc.), but rather 2020 wages. Similarly, corporate property owners should pay taxes on current market valuation. These corporations benefit from an educated citizenry and public services and should pay their fair share of taxes. The Board of Equalization has an important role to play in ensuring that Prop 15 is implemented effectively and fully enforced. I call on the Board of Equalization to stand by its mission "to serve Californians through fair, effective, and efficient tax administration in support of state and local governments" by supporting Prop 15.