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PUBLIC COMMENT

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2. Overview of Proposition 15

Comment:

My name is Phylis Hoffman. I am a teacher in Los Angeles in the Los Angeles Unified School District . I support Proposition 15 BECAUSE... It will provide funding for PUBLIC EDUCATION, INCLUDING K-12 AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES. This is important to me because 80% of the students in the LAUSD live in poverty. Poverty causes trauma, because of food insecurities, lack of access to health care, and living in areas where you are exposed to more violent crimes. When our students return to school they will have suffered even more trauma because of COVID 19 getting their families sick and having family members die from it. Our students need better access to psychiatric social workers. The free community clinics that offer these services cannot keep up with the demand. Proposition 15 would reclaim \$12 billion every year for our SCHOOLS, and local services by closing corporate property tax loopholes -- all while protecting homeowners and renters, small businesses, and agriculture. The Board of Equalization has an important role to play in ensuring that Prop 15 is implemented effectively, and that it is fully enforced. We call on the Board of Equalization to rise to the occasion of implementing a change that Californians like me have needed for a very long time. I am asking you to support Prop. 15 — a fair and balanced reform to put our Schools & Communities First. Sincerely, Phylis Hoffman 2nd Grade Teacher San Pedro