STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

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<u>Agenda Item(s):</u> 2. Overview of Proposition 15

Comment:

My name is Norma Williamson. I am a retired public school teacher and a senior in the City of Cerritos. I support Proposition 15 because it will provide funding for local services such as our senior center, sidewalk improvements, city tree cutting and so much more. This is important to me because seniors need access to the free and low cost programs and services from senior centers, the uneven sidewalks are dangerous for pedestrians and old trees are falling down without warning! As a retired teacher, I know that class sizes are too big and schools need nurses and mental health counselors, especially during this Covid-19 pandemic. 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. I 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, Norma Williamson Retired Public School Teacher Cerritos, CA 90703



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