

STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATIONKathleen Blackwell Item # C1

From: August 18-19, 2020 Board Meeting-Public Comment
To: Meeting Info
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Item Name: Taxpayers' Bill of Rights HearingMeeting Date: 8/18/20 Minutes Exhibit #: 8.6

PUBLIC COMMENT

Name: Kathleen Blackwell (please read my comment into the record)

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Agenda Item(s):

C1. Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearing

N. Public Comment on Matters Not on the Agenda

Comment:

Please read into the record: Due to the Covid 19 Pandemic and resulting Government emergency restrictions put in place, I was not able to purchase a replacement home and apply for Property Tax base year transfer status within the 2 year time limit required by law. I was fully aware of my base year transfer deadline date but the Covid Crisis and resulting Government restrictions effectively ceased the California economy (and especially the California Real Estate market) suddenly and prevented me (and I assume others) from purchasing a replacement home before the deadline date. This situation was through no fault of my own and was beyond my control. Losing the ability to transfer base year status creates a great financial hardship for me and my family. I am asking the Board to please help me (and other CA residents affected) by exploring all possibilities of relief in this matter, even the possibility of a Constitutional Amendment to provide limited relief of this situation due to the Covid 19 crisis. An equitable relief would be the extension of base year transfer deadlines to the date when all emergency government restrictions and orders regarding Covid are lifted plus 180 days from that date. It is only fair and just that those CA residents affected not be punished by the Covid 19 Pandemic and resulting emergency Government orders put in place. I ask the Board to please do all you can to help me and the other CA residents negatively affected by this situation. Please keep me informed of any progress on this issue. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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Name: Kate Blackwell

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Comment:

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