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June 6, 2014

Mr. Fred Bottino

Dear Mr. Bottino:

Thank you for your participation in the May 22, 2014, Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearings held in Sacramento. I appreciate your taking the time to express your concerns about the proper implementation of Proposition 218. A copy of your April 26, 2014 correspondence was provided to the Members of the Board of Equalization on May 13, 2014 and a reference to your concern was made for the record at the hearings on May 22.

The Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office brought this issue to the attention of Mariposa County officials who explained to us that there is pending litigation regarding this issue. Given the pending litigation, we will not be investigating this further at this time.

Thank you again for sharing your ideas and concerns as part of the annual hearing process. If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 916-324-2798. You may also contact Mr. Mark Sutter of my office at 916-324-2797.

Sincerely,

Todd C. Gilman  
Chief, Taxpayers' Rights and  
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Bottino thank you 060614

cc: Honorable Jerome E. Horton, Chairman  
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