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**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
**From:** Phillip Reed  
**Agenda Item:** Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearing  
**Meeting Date:** 8/30/2022

Taxpayer would like to speak at the hearing: I do not want to speak at the hearing

Type of Tax:

Speaker's Name:

Title (if applicable):

Company (if applicable):

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

E-Mail Address:

Account Number (if applicable):

Taxpayer's Name (if not speaker): Phillip Reed

Organization: None

Telephone Number:

Description of Issues:

Property tax on the personal residence of the elderly should end at age 65, as most retirees have little savings, and no pension other than a tiny social security stipend, and huge medical expenses, which leaves little for paying property taxes on a home in California.

It should be unconscionable to force the elderly out of the homes they worked entire lives to pay for, only to discover the tax payments never end, long after their jobs had ended. In effect, the Legislature had destroyed the concept of freeholder of land, when taxes act as rent that must be paid to keep one's home, making government the landlord.

Taxing the elderly out of their homes is clearly wrong, but nobody in Sacramento seems to care.

It is time for public officials to begin caring about the elderly they are evicting for tax defaults.

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