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PUBLIC COMMENT

From: Brett Nelson
Agenda Item: 1. Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearing
Meeting Date: 08/20/25
Minutes Exhibit: 8.3

Do you wish to speak at the public hearing?: Taxpayer does want to speak at the hearing.

Type of Tax: Property Tax

Speaker's Name: Brett Nelson

Title (if applicable): Dr.

Company (if applicable):

Mailing Address: [REDACTED]

City: Benicia

State: CA

Zip Code: 94510

E-Mail Address: [REDACTED]

Account Number (if applicable):

Taxpayer's Name (if not speaker): Brett Nelson

Organization:

Telephone Number: [REDACTED]

Description of Issues:

My wife and I are retired 20 year residents of Solano County and downsized in 2017 from a house on one side of Benicia to the other, but despite a smaller house, were unable to obtain Proposition 60 benefits due to the price of the new house being slightly higher than the old one. We sold the old house in 2019, and 2 years later Proposition 19 was approved which would have allowed us to transfer our Property Base Value to the new house. We have appealed to the County Assessors office, then the Board of Equalization office with rejection at both places despite long waits for answers sometimes more than 6 months. We are currently appealing to Assemblywoman Lori Wilson and Senator Christopher Cabladon at the legislative level. Our taxes went from 9k to 18K despite the new house being smaller, with less bed/bath. We will likely be moving out of state if unable to re-claim our prior tax base.