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Retirement Planning

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To:



Diane V. Grendell
State Representative
Ohio House District 76

Re: Senior Citizen Tax Elimination Fund

Thank you for your interest to help senior citizens. In my experience working with people planning their retirement, there are many seniors who cannot afford to stay in the home they live in, the community they worked and raised their family and paid taxes all their life. More and more people who are on a fixed income are being forced out of their homes primarily because the cost to stay is prohibitive and a great portion of that cost is because of rising taxes.

Seniors have no one fighting for them. This is truly a growing silent majority who instead of enjoying their twilight years they now have their entire lives upended because they have to move somewhere less expensive. This adds unneeded stress to people who most likely already face health problems and the need to plan for their own mortality!

Finding a way to ease the burden of increasing taxes for seniors will go a long way to helping them stay in their home and reduce the stress they face in their twilight years!

Also, looking at my community in Concord Township, increasing taxes are dominated by school needs. This creates a rift between those who can afford to help the children and those seniors who cannot afford any increases. Your bill will eliminate this battle by freezing the age 65 property taxes on their home all the way to their death!

I look forward to working with you on this new bill and will ask Andy Rose, Concord Administrator, if he can find a copy of a Trustee meeting where a Concord citizen expressed these exact issues.

Sincerely,

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