



MISSOURI HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WITNESS APPEARANCE FORM

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COMMITTEE: Ways and Means			
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I am in favor of this Bill and the Vote of the People!



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Our MO Tax Relief Now website motaxreliefnow.org is getting close to a thousand petition signers, and more are signing everyday. Seniors expect tax relief action on the part of the legislators this session. Missouri was rated as "Not tax-friendly to seniors" by Kiplinger's (January 12, 2023) magazine Kiplinger Taxes in Retirement. Governor Parsons has just signed Executive Order 23-01 to focus attention on helping seniors (attached below). It's time for action. Our MO Tax Relief Now directors will be at the committee hearing on February 14th to explain our bill and to provide testimony. This bill is similar to HJR 45 which we also support.



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As a member of MO Tax Relief Now, I support HJR 17 to put an amendment to the constitution on the statewide ballot to FREEZE property assessments for all MO seniors. Assessment increases are driving unsustainable property tax increases for seniors, who are at their most economically vulnerable stage of life. MO Tax Relief Now is closing in on 1000 petition signatures from all across the state in support of freezing property assessments for seniors. Many of them are YOUR constituents! Please pass this bill out of committee.



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I am in support of HJR 17. Seniors need a break from property assessments every two years constantly going up. In the St. Louis County area it is always a time consuming effort to go in and appeal your assessment. Seniors are at a time of their life where they do not need to be paying more and more taxes due to increasing assessments. We have been paying taxes for 40+ years and deserve a break since we are on fixed incomes. Taxing bodies will not receive any less revenue with this bill from seniors once seniors assessments are frozen, and taxing bodies can always come back to the public and ask for a rate increase, which will be applied to the seniors frozen assessment. Thank you and please vote this bill out of committee.



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