

SB 196

Chairman Tyson and Committee Senators:

As a home owner in Leavenworth County the property tax in my average home is \$5,627.18. It has had hefty and steadily increased rates since our purchase in 2004. My husband and I are retired and find it difficult to pay in this ever deteriorating economy.

As a resident and voter of Leavenworth County, I am writing in support of efforts to restore funding to the local ad valorem tax reduction fund. The local ad valorem tax reduction fund (LAVTR) is an important tool that can be used to reduce the property tax burden that I have to pay.

I already fund this tool by paying sales taxes. I am asking you to restore funding to LAVTR so that those sales tax dollars are returned to me in the form of local property tax relief.

LAVTR was created to offset some of the burden of property taxes on local taxpayers. Property tax is an important issue for both elected officials and me as a property tax paying citizen, and funding LAVTR would be a victory for both of us! Please restore the funding for LAVTR so that the burden on local taxpayers can be reduced as intended by this fund.

Sincerely,  
Cheryl Morisse  
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