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SB 76 Written Testimony

Chairperson Tyson, and members of the Assessment and Taxation Committee.

SB 76 Provides a mechanism to provide a refund for increased ad valorem tax assessments for seniors that are 65 and own their home and defined disabled veterans.

The golden years homestead property tax freeze act will help many of our seniors be able to afford to stay in their homes longer. Studies have shown seniors that are able to live at home tend to be happier and live more healthy lives. This could generate some savings from our seniors being able to use home and community-based services instead of the state having to cover the cost of nursing homes.

When the Tax committee considers policy this year please consider this relief for our seniors and disabled vets favorably.

Thank you for the support of this bill.

Senator Mike Petersen District 28

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