

Submitted Testimony to the House Ways and Means Committee

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Normally I send a few emails to legislators.. but this year this email will be my only one.

I'm a lifelong Vermonter, business owner, taxpayer, and father of 3 kids. I've testified at the legislature many times on a variety of issues.

Today I'll keep this short and sweet because I'm sure your inboxes are jammed with emails like mine: we have a giant mess on our hands. Act 127 is a failure. We do not have enough tax PAYERS to pay for all the things we want and need in this state. We have to grow the tax base. We have to add residents, and to do so we need to add housing.

I've been a die-hard, all-in, unabashed supporter of Vermont and the Vermont way of life, but I'm starting to crack because taxpayers are maxed out. We are now the third highest taxed state in America. You can not deny the facts. It's time to get serious about adding to the tax base and being brave enough to break the status quo and start thinking boldly.

I really hope you all figure this out. We are all depending on you.

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