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Honorable Members of Connecticut Legislature,

I would like to take this opportunity to protest the imposition of any increase in taxes on the citizens of Connecticut. We are taxed beyond our ability to pay, and many of us are being forced to leave this state in order to maintain financial solvency.

I moved to Connecticut in 1971, and have attended college, enjoyed a long and successful professional career, raised a family, and been a productive and contributing member of the community here. I am saddened to think that as a result of the uncontrolled government spending and resultant rise in taxes and overall cost of living, I may well be forced to relocate to another state with more financially responsible government in order to manage on my retirement savings. The government of this state should be ashamed to have failed their taxpaying constituents so miserably.

As I move toward retirement, I must live within my available financial resources. Spending is limited by available funds, and we budget with that knowledge. The government should do no less. Increases in spending are funded by taxing the citizens, either directly or indirectly. What are the citizens to do in order to meet the increased financial demands upon them inflicted by this irresponsible government spending. We have not the ability to levy taxes upon our employers to meet the increased financial burden – we are forced to reallocate funds from other purposes. At some point, there are no more funds available to reallocate.

We have now reached that point. It is time for the government to live within it's means, as we must live within ours.

Thank you for your consideration.

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