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Sen. Fasano, Len

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Subject:

Tax Hike - Public Hearing Testimony

Dear Senator Fasano and Representative Klarides:

I am a CPA for a large regional CPA firm based out of CT. I find the proposed taxes on professional services to be nothing more than another tax which can only have a negative effect on our already fragile economy. Our state lags behind other states (including our New England neighbors) in many economic indicators, including job and population growth. We continue to lose ground to other states, and this type of approach to our budget problems will not solve, but only temporarily hide the underlying issue facing our State. I have lived in the State of Connecticut my entire life, as have two generations before me, and sadly I have contemplated alternative residence upon retirement. Please do not move forward with these proposed taxes on professional fees (Query - why is it that the services of attorneys are not included in the list of newly taxable services?)

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