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USA GENERAL

Map Shows States Where Property Tax Could Be Repealed

This article provides a map indicating the states that are currently considering a repeal or reform in property taxes. The accompanying article considers the situation in each of these states.

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Map Shows States Where Property Tax Could Be Repealed - Newsweek

How Can Communities Collect Property Taxes from Exempt Nonprofits?

This article looks at the problems for municipalities where large numbers of exempt non-profits exist and considers the possibility of introducing voluntary PILOT schemes (payment in Lieu of Taxes).

The article can be accessed via the following link:

How Can Communities Collect Property Taxes from Exempt Nonprofits? – ITEP

Why doesn't the U.S. have a wealth tax?

This article reports on recent calls for the introduction of a wealth tax. The article discusses the difficulties of introducing such a tax due to the current constitution, explains the historical reasons for this and looks at the experiences of other countries who have tried to introduce it.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Why doesn't the U.S. have a wealth tax?

ARIZONA

Arizona Counties Propose \$54.8 Million In Property Tax Increases For FY 2026

This article reports on the increases in property tax that are being proposed by municipalities in Arizona. The article provides details of the proposals and also explains the interaction with the Truth in Taxation rules.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Arizona Counties Propose \$54.8 Million In Property Tax Increases For FY 2026 - AZ FREE NEWS

CALIFORNIA

The unfairness of property tax on real property

This article has been published in the wake of the issue of property assessment notices by Ventura County Assessor's Office, and questions why homeowners should continue paying annual taxes on property they have already purchased and paid substantial taxes and fees. The article acknowledges the need for funding for municipalities but suggests that property taxes must reflect ability to pay.

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The article can be accessed via the following link:

The unfairness of property tax on real property

LA County Breaks \$2 Trillion in Property Valuation

This article reports that the Los Angeles property tax reassessment has resulted in a total roll value in excess of \$2 trillion.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

LA County Breaks \$2 Trillion in Property Valuation - Random Lengths News

COLORADO

Summit Board of Equalization finalizes property value appeal decisions

This article reports that the Summit Board of Equalization has approved final decisions on 2025 property value appeals. The article gives details of the success rates for the appeals and looks in detail at mining claims where a high proportion of those appealed received reductions.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Summit Board of Equalization finalizes property value appeal decisions | SummitDaily.com

DELAWARE

Why Delaware's property tax, education funding structures demand reform

In response to increasing property tax and school tax bills, this article provides a viewpoint that it is not the reassessments that cause the dissatisfaction with the increases, but flaws in the property tax and education funding system. The article goes on to look at the problems and how they should be addressed.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

VIEWPOINT: Why Delaware's property tax, education funding structures demand reform

How Delaware's most powerful political leaders fared after historic tax reassessment

This article looks at Delaware's first revaluation in decades. The article reports that generally taxpayers have been shocked by the increases and looks at how senior politicians in the state have fared in their own properties.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

How Delaware's power players fared with property reassessments, bills

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Downtown offices, R&D campuses get steep tax bill cuts

This article reports that the recent reassessment in New Castle County reset the balance in tax burden between residential and commercial properties, with many large corporations seeing cuts to their tax bills. The article looks at the reasons for this the effects that it has on the residential tax burden and the local school budgets and the measures the county government are taking.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

New Castle County offices, manufacturing plants get tax bill cuts

Sussex County launches new tax calculator ahead of property tax bills

This article reports on a new property tax calculator available on the website for Sussex County following the first reassessment in decades.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Sussex County launches new tax calculator ahead of property tax bills

FLORIDA

Fort Myers Beach faces potential 26% property tax hike amid budget gap

This article reports that the Fort Myers Beach Town Council has set a maximum property tax increase of 26%, to primarily address the impact of the budget shortfall caused by Hurricane Ian.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Fort Myers Beach faces potential 26% property tax hike amid budget gap | Lee County | winknews.com

Homeowners Near Disneyland Just Agreed To Pay Thousands More in Property Taxes—Voluntarily

This article reports that, following a vote, the homeowners of Anaheim Hills have agreed to pay between \$395 and \$2,500 more in property tax each year to secure long-term funding to operate a system of groundwater pumps to prevent landslides. The article hears from residents who liken the payment to extra property insurance.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Anaheim Hills Homeowners Approve Property Tax Hike To Prevent Landslides

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Marco Island homeowners increasingly divided over proposed 34% property tax increase

This article considers whether Marco Island City Council will increase property taxes by 34% - a figure they tentatively agreed in July. The article explains that the residents are divided as taxes for the last 8 years have remained constant.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Marco Island homeowners increasingly divided over proposed 34% property tax hike

GEORGIA

Property Tax Assessment Notices now arriving in Mailboxes

This article provides information for property taxpayers in Habersham County whose reassessment notices have been posted. The article gives advice from the County Assessor about the final tax bills, homestead exemption etc.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Property Tax Assessment Notices now arriving in Mailboxes - WNEG

City of Monroe finds commercial tax values skewed

This article reports on recent survey results which show that there are inequities in the property tax burden for small local enterprises and single-family homeowners. The survey also suggests that commercial properties are undervalued and residential rental and multifamily properties, which require more local government services, have also fared well. The article hears the views of the chief appraiser.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

City of Monroe finds commercial tax values skewed – Your Local News

Douglas County property tax increase receives strong criticism

This article reports that Douglas County is recommending a 31% millage rate increase. Although the millage rate has been rolled back for the past 2 years, and was static for 3 years before that, the article looks at the opposition voiced in the recent first public meeting on the matter.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Douglas County property tax increase receives strong criticism | FOX 5 Atlanta

HAWAII

Honolulu Is Canceling Its Empty Homes Tax Study. Will That Kill The Bill?

This article reports that although the empty homes tax bill was put on hold pending the results of a city commissioned study into how the tax could be implemented, that study has now been cancelled by the city. The article explains the background to the bill and the current situation.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Honolulu Is Canceling Its Empty Homes Tax Study. Will That Kill The Bill? - Honolulu Civil Beat

ILLINOIS

What we know about the future of property taxes in Cook County

This article looks at what legislators in Springfield have been doing to address property tax concerns. The article reports on the (at least) 161 bills that the Illinois House of Representatives is currently considering and which are directly related to property taxes and the measures that are being considered.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

What we know about the future of property taxes in Cook County - The Chicago Reporter

MAINE

Why Lewiston is updating property values, and what it means for tax bills

This article reports that a City-wide reassessment in Lewiston will be completed and used in tax bills in fiscal year 2027. The article provides details for taxpayers relating to what a revaluation is, its purpose, how it is undertaken, whether tax bills will increase after a revaluation etc.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Lewiston property valuation: Why, and what it means for tax bills

MARYLAND

'Highballed': How disproportionate property taxes are forcing some Americans out of their homes

This article looks at municipal tax sales in Baltimore and analyses whether property taxes are disproportionate. The article also reports on how one aggrieved taxpayer, whose home was subject to a forced sale to cover the debt owed, is pursuing a lawsuit against the City of Baltimore.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

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'Highballed': How disproportionate property taxes are forcing some Americans out of their homes - ABC News

SDAT Launches Review to Improve Vacant Property Assessments in Baltimore City

In response to local concerns about inconsistent valuations and their impact on equity and redevelopment, this article examines a new initiative launched by the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT), which will address long-standing challenges in valuing the City's significant inventory of unimproved parcels.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

SDAT Launches Review to Improve Vacant Property Assessments in Baltimore City – Conduit Street

Ways and Means Committee Launches Study on Land Value Taxation

This article reports that the government is conducting a study into Land Value Taxation to consider the implications of granting Baltimore City the authority to overhaul its property tax system using a Land Value Taxation model. The article looks in detail at the advantages and disadvantages of Land Value Taxation.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Ways and Means Committee Launches Study on Land Value Taxation | citybiz

Homeowners Are Covering a Massive \$484 Million Property Tax Mistake in This U.S. City

This article looks at claims that Baltimore is undervaluing its unused land by nearly half a billion dollars, shifting more of the property tax burden onto residents.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Homeowners Are Covering a \$484 Million Property Tax Gap in This City

MISSOURI

After property valuation controversy, Sen. Luetkemeyer wants Legislature to 'reign in' Missouri Tax Commission

This article looks at the issue by Missouri Tax Commissions of memorandums of understanding to 88 counties to reassess property values as they believe they have fallen below 90% of market value. The article states that there has been opposition from municipalities who, if they don't sign the agreements, will lose substantial amounts of state funding.

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The article can be accessed via the following link:

After property valuation controversy, Sen. Luetkemeyer wants Legislature to 'reign in' Missouri Tax Commission - Missourinet

NEW JERSEY

South Brunswick Failed To Reassess Property Values For 30 Years, Lawsuit Alleges

This article looks at a lawsuit which has been filed claiming that by not having a revaluation for property tax purposes for 30 years in South Brunswick, warehousing has been under taxed, putting the burden on residential property owners. The plaintiffs are seeking an order directing South Brunswick and the County to conduct a complete municipality-wide revaluation on an expedited basis.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

South Brunswick Failed To Reassess Property Values For 30 Years, Lawsuit Alleges | South Brunswick, NJ Patch

NEW YORK

Big box stores challenge millions in assessed value

This article reports that four prominent big box store chains are challenging their property tax assessments. The article lists these and other challenges detailing the current assessments and those proposed by the companies to show the amount of tax that will be at risk.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Big box stores challenge millions in assessed value | News, Sports, Jobs - Observer Today

Greenburgh weighs tax break for storm damage that stems from Hurricane Ida havoc in 2021

This article reports on new legislation in the state which gives municipalities the option to retrospectively reduce the property tax on dwellings that have lost 50% of their value, back to the date of the disaster. The article hears the views of families who have suffered repeated flooding, causing large repair bills but not reducing the value of their homes by 50%.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Greenburgh weighs tax break OK'd by NY after Hurricane Ida damages

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NORTH CAROLINA

Revaluations Across NC Set Stage For Guilford's 2026 Numbers

This article reports that tax bills due in April 2026 for Guildford County will show around increases of approximately 48%. The article explains that the County revalue every 5 years but were forced to carry out the revaluation one year early as assessed values had fallen to below 80% market value. Details of how to appeal both informally and formally are included in the article.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Revaluations Across NC Set Stage For Guilford's 2026 Numbers - The Rhino Times of Greensboro

OHIO

The Property Tax System Is Breaking—and Ohio Might Be Ground Zero

As tax delinquency rates are increasing across the state, this article reports of calls for the abolition of property tax and looks at why property prices are booming.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

The Property Tax System Is Breaking—and Ohio Might Be Ground Zero

OREGON

Split-rate property tax encourages 'development without sacrificing revenue'

This article proposes the introduction of 'split rate' property tax. The article explains that the current structure is based on property taxes applying equally to the land and the buildings on it, meaning improving the property will mean a higher bill – a disincentive to developing land. The article suggests that split-rate taxation fixes this by taxing land at a higher rate and buildings at a lower one.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Split-rate property tax encourages 'development without sacrificing revenue' - Lookout Eugene-Springfield

PENNSYLVANIA

'Shocked' homeowners have one week to appeal Perry County property assessments

This article looks at the reappraisal for property tax purposes in Perry County – the first since 2010. The article hears from residents that their assessments have doubled or even trebled, and from the assessor who states that bills will not increase by the same amount as

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assessments and provides the appeal deadline for anyone wishing to object to their assessment.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

'Shocked' homeowners have one week to appeal Perry County property assessments | ABC27

TEXAS

El Paso County proposes highest property tax rate without public vote

This article reports that El Paso County is proposing to implement the "Voter-Approval rate" — the highest rate the County can adopt without triggering an election — which will be 48.7797 cents per \$100.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

El Paso County proposes highest property tax rate without public vote

Texas Senate OKs stricter limits on city, county property tax revenue

This article reports that Senate Bill 9 was recently passed by Texas senators and now moves to the House where it is likely to have an uncertain future. The Bill aims to tighten state limits on how much more in property tax revenue cities and counties can collect each year without asking voters.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

Texas Senate OKs stricter limits on local property tax revenue | The Texas Tribune

Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

This article reports that the proposed tax rate for City of Bedford is greater than the no-new-revenue rate (raising the same amount of revenue) but does not require a public vote. The article advises that there will be a public meeting where residents will be able to express support or opposition to the proposed tax rate.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

News Flash • Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

UTAH

Across Utah, 'Truth in taxation' hearings get underway over proposed property tax hikes

This article reports on the Truth in Taxation hearings in Utah in respect of the proposed increase in property tax rates. The article hears from the Utah Taxpayers Association about the importance of these hearings, and urges taxpayers to examine the proposals of district water providers.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

'Truth in taxation' hearings get underway over proposed property tax hikes

This Small Town Is Seeking a 225% Property Tax Increase

This article reports that the town of Wellington, Utah is seeking a property tax increase of more than 225% after years of stalling rates. After a public hearing on Wednesday, the council have postponed their decision.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

This Small Town Is Seeking a 225% Property Tax Increase - Newsweek

WISCONSIN

Wauwatosa and Mequon saw significant property assessment increases. What does that mean for residents?

This article reports that Wauwatosa and Mequon have recently undergone revaluations and have seen increases in property tax assessments. The article provides details about the assessment process, how to object to an assessment, whether property tax bills will increase as a result and what the impact of the Wauwatosa school referendums will be on property tax bill.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

What do property assessments mean for Wisconsin property owners?