

REMEMBER TO VOTE NOVEMBER 8TH

The Laclede County surtax reduction ballot issue is one issue voters will be asked to decide in the November election.

THE BACKGROUND:

Commercial real property owners in Laclede County currently pay a surtax of \$1.03 per \$100 of assessed valuation on their overall commercial real property. This has been in place since 1984 and is on par with the state average.

Residential and agricultural property owners do not pay this surtax.

THE BALLOT ISSUE:

The Laclede County surtax rate reduction proposes a 50% cut to \$0.51 per \$100 of assessed valuation on commercial real property.

This 50% cut would **ONLY** benefit commercial real property owners, **NOT HOMEOWNERS OR FARM OWNERS** (or small business owners who lease).

A SURTAX REDUCTION WOULD RESULT IN REDUCED FUNDING TO THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$475,000

at an increasing rate each year thereafter



Public Library



School Districts in Laclede County



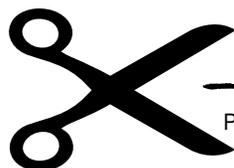
Public Health Department



City of Lebanon



SB 40 Developmental Disability Services



THE FACTS

SURTAX CUT BENEFITS LESS THAN 7% OF REAL PROPERTY OWNERS

Out of 35,680 Laclede County residents, approximately 900 commercial real property owners would receive this tax cut.

THE LOCAL ECONOMY AND BUSINESSES ARE PROSPERING

Currently, with the surtax in place, over 95% of commercial real property is being utilized in Lebanon.

WOULD CUT FUNDING OF RESOURCES FOR RESIDENTS

The surtax reduction would permanently cut funding of critical services for Laclede County residents.

Your vote counts on November 8th!

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