No. 293

Introduced by Senator Pérez

February 6, 2025

An act relating to taxation. An act to amend Section 63.1 and 63.2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 293, as amended, Pérez. Property taxation: County of Los Angeles: fire victims. Real property tax: transfer of base year value: generational transfers.

The California Constitution generally limits ad valorem taxes on real property to 1% of the full cash value of that property, defined as the county assessor's valuation of real property as shown on the 1975–76 tax bill and, thereafter, the appraised value of the property when purchased, newly constructed, or a change in ownership occurs after the 1975 assessment, subject to an annual inflation adjustment not to exceed 2%. Existing property tax law provides that the purchase or transfer of the principal residence, and the first \$1,000,000 of other real property, of a transferor in the case of a transfer between parents and their children, or between grandparents and their grandchildren if all the parents of those grandchildren are deceased, is not a "purchase" or "change in ownership" for purposes of determining the "full cash value" of property for taxation.

The California Constitution, pursuant to Proposition 19, adopted by the voters at the November 3, 2020, general election, beginning on and after February 16, 2021, excludes from the terms "purchase" and "change in ownership," for purposes of determining the "full cash value" of property, the purchase or transfer of a family home or family

farm, as those terms are defined, of the transferor in the case of a transfer between parents and their children, or between grandparents and their grandchildren if all the parents of those grandchildren are deceased, as specified.

Existing law requires a filing to be made with regard to a transfer that is eligible for the above-referenced exclusions, and sets various deadlines, including a requirement to file six months after the date of mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape assessment, issued as a result of the purchase or transfer of real property for which the claim is filed.

This bill would require a filing for a transfer that is eligible for the above-referenced exclusions to be treated as timely if the filing is made within three years of the date of mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape assessment if specified requirements are met, including a requirement that the assessor reassesses the property due to a misfortune or calamity in an area proclaimed a state of emergency, as specified. By expanding the duties of local tax officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

The California Constitution provides that all property is taxable, and requires that it be assessed at the same percentage of fair market value, unless otherwise provided by the California Constitution or federal law.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would expand current provisions of property tax law that provide relief to taxpayers affected by a disaster in order to support families affected by fires in the County of Los Angeles.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no-yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 63.1 of the Revenue and Taxation Code 2 is amended to read:

63.1. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter,
a change in ownership shall not include the following purchases
or transfers for which a claim is filed pursuant to this section:

4 (1) (A) The purchase or transfer of real property which is the 5 principal residence of an eligible transferor in the case of a purchase 6 or transfer between parents and their children.

7 (B) A purchase or transfer of a principal residence from a foster 8 child to the child's biological parent shall not be excluded under 9 subparagraph (A) if the transferor child received that principal 10 residence, or interest therein, from a foster parent through a 11 purchase or transfer that was excluded under subparagraph (A).

(2) The purchase or transfer of the first one million dollars
(\$1,000,000) of full cash value of all other real property of an
eligible transferor in the case of a purchase or transfer between
parents and their children.

16 (3) (A) Subject to subparagraph (B), the purchase or transfer 17 of real property described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision 18 (a) occurring on or after March 27, 1996, between grandparents 19 and their grandchild or grandchildren, if all of the parents of that 20 grandchild or those grandchildren, who qualify as the children of 21 the grandparents, are deceased as of the date of purchase or transfer. 22 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for the lien date for 23 the 2006-07 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, in 24 determining whether "all of the parents of that grandchild or those 25 grandchildren, who qualify as the children of the grandparents, 26 are deceased as of the date of purchase or transfer," a son-in-law 27 or daughter-in-law of the grandparent that is a stepparent to the 28 grandchild need not be deceased on the date of the transfer.

29 (B) A purchase or transfer of a principal residence shall not be 30 excluded pursuant to subparagraph (A) if the transferee grandchild 31 or grandchildren also received a principal residence, or interest 32 therein, through another purchase or transfer that was excludable 33 pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a). The full cash value 34 of any real property, other than a principal residence, that was 35 transferred to the grandchild or grandchildren pursuant to a 36 purchase or transfer that was excludable pursuant to paragraph (2) 37 of subdivision (a) and the full cash value of a principal residence 38 that fails to qualify for exclusion as a result of the preceding 39 sentence shall be included in applying, for purposes of paragraph

1 (2) of subdivision (a), the one million dollar (\$1,000,000) full cash

2 value limit specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a).

3 (b) (1) For purposes of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a), 4 "principal residence" means a dwelling that is eligible for a 5 homeowners' exemption or a disabled veterans' exemption as a 6 result of the transferor's ownership and occupation of the dwelling. 7 "Principal residence" includes only that portion of the land 8 underlying the residence that consists of an area of reasonable size 9 that is used as a site for the residence. 10 (2) For purposes of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), the

one-million-dollar (\$1,000,000) exclusion shall apply separately 11 12 to each eligible transferor with respect to all purchases by and 13 transfers to eligible transferees on and after November 6, 1986, of 14 real property, other than the principal residence, of that eligible transferor. The exclusion shall not apply to any property in which 15 the eligible transferor's interest was received through a transfer, 16 17 or transfers, excluded from change in ownership by the provisions 18 of either subdivision (f) of Section 62 or subdivision (b) of Section 19 65, unless the transferor qualifies as an original transferor under 20 subdivision (b) of Section 65. In the case of any purchase or 21 transfer subject to this paragraph involving two or more eligible 22 transferors, the transferors may elect to combine their separate 23 one-million-dollar (\$1,000,000) exclusions and, upon making that 24 election, the combined amount of their separate exclusions shall 25 apply to any property jointly sold or transferred by the electing 26 transferors, provided that in no case shall the amount of full cash 27 value of real property of any one eligible transferor excluded under 28 this election exceed the amount of the transferor's separate unused 29 exclusion on the date of the joint sale or transfer. 30 (c) As used in this section:

31 (1) "Purchase or transfer between parents and their children" 32 means either a transfer from a parent or parents to a child or children of the parent or parents or a transfer from a child or 33 34 children to a parent or parents of the child or children. For purposes 35 of this section, the date of any transfer between parents and their 36 children under a will or intestate succession shall be the date of 37 the decedent's death, if the decedent died on or after November 38 6, 1986.

39 (2) "Purchase or transfer of real property between grandparents40 and their grandchild or grandchildren" means a purchase or transfer

1 on or after March 27, 1996, from a grandparent or grandparents 2 to a grandchild or grandchildren if all of the parents of that 3 grandchild or those grandchildren who qualify as the children of 4 the grandparents are deceased as of the date of the transfer. For 5 purposes of this section, the date of any transfer between 6 grandparents and their grandchildren under a will or by intestate 7 succession shall be the date of the decedent's death. 8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for the lien date for 9 the 2006-07 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, in determining whether "all of the parents of that grandchild or those 10 11 grandchildren, who qualify as the children of the grandparents, 12 are deceased as of the date of purchase or transfer," a son-in-law 13 or daughter-in-law of the grandparent that is a stepparent to the 14 grandchild need not be deceased on the date of the transfer.

15 (3) "Children" means any of the following:

16 (A) Any child born of the parent or parents, except a child, as 17 defined in subparagraph (D), who has been adopted by another 18 person or persons.

(B) Any stepchild of the parent or parents and the spouse of that
stepchild while the relationship of stepparent and stepchild exists.
For purposes of this paragraph, the relationship of stepparent and
stepchild shall be deemed to exist until the marriage on which the
relationship is based is terminated by divorce, or, if the relationship
is terminated by death, until the remarriage of the surviving
stepparent.

(C) Any son-in-law or daughter-in-law of the parent or parents. For the purposes of this paragraph, the relationship of parent and son-in-law or daughter-in-law shall be deemed to exist until the marriage on which the relationship is based is terminated by divorce, or, if the relationship is terminated by death, until the remarriage of the surviving son-in-law or daughter-in-law.

32 (D) Any child adopted by the parent or parents pursuant to
 33 statute, other than an individual adopted after reaching 18 years
 34 of age.

(E) Any foster child of a state-licensed foster parent, if that child
was not, because of a legal barrier, adopted by the foster parent or
foster parents before the child aged out of the foster care system.
For purposes of this paragraph, the relationship between a foster
child and foster parent shall be deemed to exist until terminated

40 by death. However, for purposes of a transfer that occurs on the

of death.

date of death, the relationship shall be deemed to exist on the date

executor or administrator of the transferee's estate, signed and 1 2 made under penalty of perjury that the transferee is a parent, child, 3 or grandchild of the transferor and that the transferor is his or her 4 the parent, child, or grandparent. grandparent of the transferee. 5 In the case of a grandparent-grandchild transfer, the written 6 certification shall also include a certification that all the parents 7 of the grandchild or grandchildren who qualify as children of the 8 grandparents were deceased as of the date of the purchase or 9 transfer and that the grandchild or grandchildren did or did not 10 receive a principal residence excludable under paragraph (1) of 11 subdivision (a) from the deceased parents, and that the grandchild 12 or grandchildren did or did not receive real property other than a 13 principal residence excludable under paragraph (2) of subdivision 14 (a) from the deceased parents. The claimant shall provide legal 15 substantiation of any matter certified pursuant to this subparagraph 16 at the request of the county assessor.

(B) A written certification by the transferor, the transferor's
legal representative, the trustee of the transferor's trust, or the
executor or administrator of the transferor's estate, signed and
made under penalty of perjury that the transferor is a grandparent,
parent, or child of the transferee and that the transferor is seeking
the exclusion under this section and will not file a claim to transfer
the base year value of the property under Section 69.5.

24 (C) A written certification shall also include either or both of 25 the following:

(i) If the purchase or transfer of real property includes the
purchase or transfer of residential real property, a certification that
the residential real property is or is not the transferor's principal
residence.

30 (ii) If the purchase or transfer of real property includes the 31 purchase or transfer of real property other than the transferor's 32 principal residence, a certification that other real property of the 33 transferor that is subject to this section has or has not been 34 previously sold or transferred to an eligible transferee, the total 35 amount of full cash value, as defined in subdivision (c), of any 36 real property subject to this section that has been previously sold 37 or transferred by that transferor to eligible transferees, the location 38 of that real property, the social security number of each eligible 39 transferor, and the names of the eligible transferees of that property.

1 (D) If there are multiple transferees, the certification and 2 signature may be made by any one of the transferees, if both of 3 the following conditions are met:

4 (i) The transferee has actual knowledge that, and the certification 5 signed by the transferee states that, all of the transferees are eligible 6 transferees within the meaning of this section.

7 (ii) The certification is signed by the transferee as a true 8 statement made under penalty of perjury.

(E) In the case of a transfer between a foster parent and foster 9 child, the claim filed with the assessor shall include a certified 10 copy of the court decision regarding the foster child status of the 11 12 individual and a certified statement from the appropriate county agency stating that the foster child was not, because of a legal 13 14 barrier, adopted by the foster parent or foster parents. Upon a 15 request by the county assessor, the claimant also shall provide to the assessor legal substantiation of any matter certified under this 16 17 subparagraph.

18 (2) If the full cash value of the real property purchased by or 19 transferred to the transferee exceeds the permissible exclusion of the transferor or the combined permissible exclusion of the 20 21 transferors, in the case of a purchase or transfer from two or more 22 joint transferors, taking into account any previous purchases by 23 or transfers to an eligible transferee from the same transferor or transferors, the transferee shall specify in his or her their claim the 24 25 amount and the allocation of the exclusion he or she is they are 26 seeking. Within any appraisal unit, as determined in accordance 27 with subdivision (d) of Section 51 by the assessor of the county 28 in which the real property is located, the exclusion shall be applied 29 only on a pro rata basis, however, and shall not be applied to a 30 selected portion or portions of the appraisal unit.

(e) (1) The State Board of Equalization shall design the form
for claiming eligibility. Except as provided in paragraph-(2), (3),
any claim under this section shall be filed:

(A) For transfers of real property between parents and their
children occurring prior to September 30, 1990, within three years
after the date of the purchase or transfer of real property for which
the claim is filed.

38 (B) For transfers of real property between parents and their 39 children occurring on or after September 30, 1990, and for the 40 purchase or transfer of real property between grandparents and

1 their grandchildren occurring on or after March 27, 1996, within

2 three years after the date of the purchase or transfer of real property

3 for which the claim is filed, or prior to transfer of the real property4 to a third party, whichever is earlier.

(C) Notwithstanding subparagraphs (A) and (B), a claim shall
be deemed to be timely filed if it is filed within six months after
the date of mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape
assessment, issued as a result of the purchase or transfer of real
property for which the claim is filed.

(2) Notwithstanding subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1), a claim
shall be deemed to be timely filed within three years after the date
of mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape assessment, issued
as a result of transfer of real property for which the claim is filed,
when all of the following apply:

(A) The assessor reassesses the property due to a misfortune
or calamity, in an area or region subsequently proclaimed by the
Governor to be in a state of emergency, if that property was
damaged or destroyed by the major misfortune or calamity that
caused the Governor to proclaim the area or region to be in a
state of emergency pursuant to Section 170 of the Revenue and
Taxation Code.

(B) The assessor issued a supplemental or escape assessment
on or after the date of the misfortune or calamity due to a
previously unrecorded change in ownership.

(C) The transferee acquires ownership of the property through
Probate administration, including, but not limited to, pursuant to
Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 13600) of Part 2 of Division
8 of the Probate Code, on or after the date of the misfortune or
calamity.

30 (2)

31 (3) In the case in which the real property subject to purchase or 32 transfer has not been transferred to a third party, a claim for 33 exclusion under this section that is filed subsequent to the 34 expiration of the filing periods set forth in paragraph (1) shall be 35 considered by the assessor, subject to all of the following 36 conditions:

37 (A) Any exclusion granted pursuant to that claim shall apply

38 commencing with the lien date of the assessment year in which

39 the claim is filed.

1 (B) Under any exclusion granted pursuant to that claim, the 2 adjusted full cash value of the subject real property in the 3 assessment year described in subparagraph (A) shall be the adjusted 4 base year value of the subject real property in the assessment year 5 in which the excluded purchase or transfer took place, factored to the assessment year described in subparagraph (A) for both of the 6 7 following: 8 (i) Inflation as annually determined in accordance with

9 paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 51.

(ii) Any subsequent new construction occurring with respect tothe subject real property.

12 (3)

(4) (A) Unless otherwise expressly provided, the provisions of
 this subdivision shall apply to any purchase or transfer of real
 property that occurred on or after November 6, 1986.

(B) Paragraph (2) shall apply to purchases or transfers between
parents and their children that occurred on or after November 6,

parents and their children that occurred on or after November 0,
18 1986, and to purchases or transfers between grandparents and their
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19 grandchildren that occurred on or after March 27, 1996.

20 (4)

(5) For purposes of this subdivision, a transfer of real property
to a parent or child of the transferor shall not be considered a
transfer to a third party.

24 (f) The assessor may report quarterly to the State Board of 25 Equalization all purchases or transfers, other than purchases or 26 transfers involving a principal residence, for which a claim for 27 exclusion is made pursuant to subdivision (d). Each report shall 28 contain the assessor's parcel number for each parcel for which the 29 exclusion is claimed, the amount of each exclusion claimed, the 30 social security number of each eligible transferor, and any other 31 information the board may require in order to monitor the 32 one-million-dollar (\$1,000,000) limitation in paragraph (2) of 33 subdivision (a). In recognition of the state and local interests served 34 by the action made optional in this subdivision, the Legislature 35 encourages the assessor to continue taking the action formerly mandated by this subdivision. 36

(g) This section shall apply to both voluntary transfers and
transfers resulting from a court order or judicial decree. Nothing
in this subdivision shall be construed as conflicting with paragraph

1 (1) of subdivision (c) or the general principle that transfers by2 reason of death occur at the time of death.

3 (h) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), this section shall 4 apply to purchases and transfers of real property completed on or 5 after November 6, 1986, and shall not be effective for any change 6 in ownership, including a change in ownership arising on the date 7 of a decedent's death, that occurred prior to that date.

8 (2) This section shall apply to purchases or transfers of real 9 property between grandparents and their grandchildren occurring 10 on or after March 27, 1996, and, with respect to purchases or 11 transfers of real property between grandparents and their 12 grandchildren, shall not be effective for any change in ownership, 13 including a change in ownership arising on the date of a decedent's 14 death, that occurred prior to that date.

(i) A claim filed under this section is not a public document and
is not subject to public inspection, except that a claim shall be
available for inspection by the transferee and the transferor or their
respective spouse, the transferee's legal representative, the
transferor's legal representative, the trustee of the transferee's
trust, the trustee of the transferer's trust, and the executor or
administrator of the transferee's or transferor's estate.

22 (j) (1) If the assessor notifies the transferee in writing of 23 potential eligibility for exclusion from change in ownership under 24 this section, a certified claim for exclusion shall be filed with the 25 assessor within 45 days of the date of the notice of potential 26 eligibility. If a certified claim for exclusion is not filed within 45 27 days, the assessor may send a second notice of potential eligibility 28 for exclusion, notifying the transferee that a certified claim for 29 exclusion has not been received and that reassessment of the 30 property will commence unless a certified claim for exclusion is 31 filed within 60 days of the date of the second notice of potential 32 eligibility. The second notice of potential eligibility shall indicate 33 whether a certified claim for exclusion that is not filed within 60 34 days will be subject to a processing fee as provided in paragraph 35 (2).

(2) If a certified claim for exclusion is not filed within 60 days
of the date of the second notice of potential eligibility and an
eligible transferee subsequently files a claim and qualifies for the
exclusion, the assessor may, upon authorization by a county board
of supervisors, require an eligible transferee to pay a one-time

1 processing fee, collected at the time the claim is submitted, and

2 reimbursed by the assessor if the claim is ineligible. The fee shall

3 be subject to the provisions of Chapter 12.5 (commencing with

4 Section 54985) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government

5 Code and shall not exceed the amount of the actual and reasonable

6 costs incurred by the assessor for reassessment work done due to

7 failure to file the claim for exclusion or one hundred seventy-five

8 dollars (\$175), whichever is less.

9 (3) The failure to file a certified claim for exclusion within the

filing periods specified by this subdivision shall not be construed to limit any exclusion from being granted pursuant to a claim filed

12 within the filing periods specified by subdivision (e).

13 SEC. 2. Section 63.2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is 14 amended to read:

63.2. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter,
beginning on and after February 16, 2021, a change in ownership
shall not include, in whole or in part, any of the following
purchases or transfers for which a claim is filed:

19 (1) The purchase or transfer of real property that is the principal 20 residence of an eligible transferor in the case of a purchase or

21 transfer between parents and their children or between grandparents

and their grandchildren, if all of the parents, other than stepparents,of that grandchild or those grandchildren, who qualify as the

23 of that grandchild or those grandchildren, who qualify as the 24 children of the grandparents, are deceased as of the date of purchase

25 or transfer.

(A) The transfer is required to be of a principal residence of thetransferor, and become the principal residence of the transfereewithin one year of the transfer.

(B) The transferee shall file for the homeowners' or disabled
veterans' exemption within a year of the transfer, and the exclusion
shall be removed on the date an eligible transferee, or a subsequent

32 eligible transferee who files for the homeowners' or disabled

33 veterans' exemption within one year, is no longer eligible for either

34 the homeowners' or disabled veterans' exemption.

(C) If applicable, as of the lien date immediately following the
date the eligible transferee or subsequent eligible transferee no
longer qualifies for the exclusion provided by this section, the base
year value established as of the change in ownership date to which
the exclusion applied, adjusted annually in accordance with

40 paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 51, shall be enrolled.

(2) The purchase or transfer is of a family farm of an eligible
transferor in the case of a purchase or transfer between parents
and their children or between grandparents and their grandchildren,
if all of the parents, other than stepparents, of that grandchild or
those grandchildren, who qualify as the children of the
grandparents, are deceased as of the date of purchase or transfer.
(A) This exclusion shall apply separately to the transfer of each

8 legal parcel that makes up a family farm.

9 (B) For purposes of this section, each legal parcel that makes 10 up a family farm shall be deemed to itself be a family farm, except 11 for a legal parcel containing a family home.

12 (C) A legal parcel containing a family home as described in 13 subparagraph (B) may qualify separately for exclusion under 14 paragraph (1).

15 (b) The exclusions provided for in this section shall not be 16 allowed unless a claim for the exclusion sought, pursuant to 17 subdivision (f), is filed with the assessor.

(c) A claim filed under this section is not a public document and is not subject to public inspection, except that a claim shall be available for inspection by the transferee and the transferor or their respective spouse, the transferee's legal representative, the transferor's legal representative, the trustee of the transferee's trust, the trustee of the transferee's or transferor's estate.

(d) The new taxable value of the family home or family farmshall be the sum of both of the following:

(1) The taxable value of the family home or family farm as
determined in accordance with Section 110.1, with the adjustments
permitted by subdivision (b) of Section 2 of Article XIII A of the
California Constitution and subdivision (f) of Section 110.1,
determined as of the date immediately prior to the date the principal
residence or family farm is purchased or transferred to the

33 transferee.

34 (2) The applicable of the following amounts:

(A) If the fair market value, as defined in subdivision (a) of
Section 110, of the family home or family farm upon purchase by,
or transfer to, the transferee is less than the sum of the taxable
value described in paragraph (1) plus one million dollars
(\$1,000,000), then zero dollars (\$0).

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(B) If the fair market value, as defined in subdivision (a) of

2 Section 110, of the family home or family farm upon purchase by, 3 or transfer to, the transferee is equal to or more than the sum of 4 the taxable value described in paragraph (1) plus one million dollars 5 (\$1,000,000), an amount equal to the fair market value of the family home upon purchase by, or transfer to, the transferee, minus the 6 7 sum of the taxable value described in paragraph (1) and one million 8 dollars (\$1,000,000). 9 (e) As used in this section, the following terms have the 10 following meanings: (1) "Children" means any of the following: 11 12 (A) Any child born of the parent or parents, except a child, as 13 defined in subparagraph (D), who has been adopted by another 14 person or persons. 15 (B) Any stepchild of the parent or parents and the spouse of that stepchild while the relationship of stepparent and stepchild exists. 16 17 For purposes of this paragraph, the relationship of stepparent and 18 stepchild shall be deemed to exist until the marriage on which the 19 relationship is based is terminated by divorce, or, if the relationship 20 is terminated by death, until the remarriage of the surviving 21 stepparent. 22 (C) Any son-in-law or daughter-in-law of the parent or parents. 23 For the purposes of this paragraph, the relationship of parent and son-in-law or daughter-in-law shall be deemed to exist until the 24 25 marriage on which the relationship is based is terminated by 26 divorce, or, if the relationship is terminated by death, until the 27 remarriage of the surviving son-in-law or daughter-in-law. 28 (D) Any child adopted by the parent or parents pursuant to statute, other than an individual adopted after reaching 18 years 29 30 of age.

(E) Any foster child of a state-licensed foster parent, if that child was not, because of a legal barrier, adopted by the foster parent or foster parents before the child aged out of the foster care system.

For purposes of this paragraph, the relationship between a foster child and foster parent shall be deemed to exist until terminated by death. However, for purposes of a transfer that occurs on the

date of death, the relationship shall be deemed to exist on the dateof death.

39 (2) "Eligible transferee" means a parent, child, grandparent, or40 grandchild of an eligible transferor.

(3) "Eligible transferor" means a grandparent, parent, grandchild,
 or child of an eligible transferee.

3 (4) "Family farm" means any real property under cultivation or 4 which is being used for pasture or grazing, or that is used to 5 produce any agricultural commodity, as that term is defined in 6 Section 51201 of the Government Code as that section read on 7 January 1, 2020.

8 (5) "Family home" or "principal place of residence" means a 9 dwelling that is eligible for a homeowners' exemption or a disabled 10 veterans' exemption as a result of the transferor's ownership and

11 occupation of the dwelling. "Family home" or "principal residence"

12 includes only that portion of the land underlying the residence that

13 consists of an area of reasonable size that is used as a site for the14 residence.

15 (6) "Full cash value" means full cash value, as defined in Section

16 2 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution and Section 110.1,

17 with any adjustments authorized by those sections, and the full

18 value of any new construction in progress, determined as of the

date immediately prior to the date of a purchase by or transfer toan eligible transferee of real property subject to this section.

(7) "Grandchild" or "grandchildren" means any child or children
of the child or children of the grandparent or grandparents.

23 (8) "Real property" means real property as defined in Section

104. Real property does not include any interest in a legal entity.For purposes of this section, real property includes any of thefollowing:

(A) An interest in a unit or lot within a cooperative housingcorporation, as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 61.

(B) A pro rata ownership interest in a mobilehome park, asdefined in subdivision (b) of Section 62.1.

31 (C) A pro rata ownership in a floating home marina, as defined32 in subdivision (c) of Section 62.5.

(9) "Transfer" includes, and is not limited to, any transfer of
the present beneficial ownership of property from an eligible
transferor to an eligible transferee through the medium of an inter
vivos or testamentary trust.

(f) (1) The State Board of Equalization shall prescribe, afterconsultation with the California Assessors' Association, a form

39 for claiming eligibility. Except as provided in paragraph (2), (3),

40 any claim under this section shall be filed as follows:

1 (A) Within three years after the date of the purchase or transfer

2 of real property for which the claim is filed, or prior to the transfer3 of the real property to a third party, or an eligible transferee no

4 longer occupies the residence, whichever is earlier.

5 (B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A), a claim shall be deemed 6 to be timely filed if it is filed within six months after the date of 7 mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape assessment, issued 8 as a result of the purchase or transfer of real property for which 9 the claim is filed.

10 (2) Notwithstanding subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1), a claim 11 shall be deemed to be timely filed within three years after the date 12 of mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape assessment, issued 13 as a result of transfer of real property for which the claim is filed, 14 when all of the following apply:

(A) The assessor reassesses the property due to a misfortune
or calamity, in an area or region subsequently proclaimed by the
Governor to be in a state of emergency, if that property was
damaged or destroyed by the major misfortune or calamity that
caused the Governor to proclaim the area or region to be in a
state of emergency pursuant to Section 170 of the Revenue and
Taxation Code.

(B) The assessor issued a supplemental or escape assessment
due to a previously unrecorded change in ownership on or after
the date of the misfortune or calamity.

(C) The transferee acquires ownership of the property, including
but not limited to, pursuant to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section
13600) of Part 2 of Division 8 of the Probate Code, on or after

28 *the date of the misfortune or calamity.*

29 (D) When subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) apply, there shall

30 *be a rebuttable presumption that the real property is the principal* 31 *place of residence of the transferor and transferee for purposes*

32 of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a).

33 (2)

34 (3) In the case in which the real property subject to purchase or 35 transfer has not been transferred to a third party, a claim for 36 exclusion under this section that is filed subsequent to the 37 expiration of the filing periods set forth in paragraph (1) shall be 38 considered by the assessor, subject to both of the following 39 conditions:

1 (A) Any exclusion granted pursuant to that claim shall apply, 2 commencing with the lien date of the assessment year in which 3 the claim is filed.

4 (B) Under any exclusion granted pursuant to that claim, the 5 adjusted full cash value of the subject real property in the 6 assessment year described in subparagraph (A) shall be the adjusted 7 base year value of the subject real property in the assessment year 8 in which the excluded purchase or transfer took place, factored to 9 the assessment year described in subparagraph (A) for both of the 10 following:

(i) Inflation as annually determined in accordance withparagraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 51.

(ii) Any subsequent new construction occurring with respect tothe subject real property.

15 (g) (1) If the assessor notifies the transferee in writing of 16 potential eligibility for exclusion from change in ownership under 17 this section, a certified claim for exclusion shall be filed with the 18 assessor within 45 days of the date of the notice of potential 19 eligibility. If a certified claim for exclusion is not filed within 45 20 days, the assessor may send a second notice of potential eligibility 21 for exclusion, notifying the transferee that a certified claim for 22 exclusion has not been received and that reassessment of the 23 property will commence unless a certified claim for exclusion is 24 filed within 60 days of the date of the second notice of potential 25 eligibility. The second notice of potential eligibility shall indicate 26 whether a certified claim for exclusion that is not filed within 60 27 days will be subject to a processing fee as provided in paragraph 28 (2).

29 (2) If a certified claim for exclusion is not filed within 60 days 30 of the date of the second notice of potential eligibility and an 31 eligible transferee subsequently files a claim and qualifies for the 32 exclusion, the assessor may, upon authorization by a county board 33 of supervisors, require an eligible transferee to pay a one-time 34 processing fee, collected at the time the claim is submitted, and 35 reimbursed by the assessor if the claim is ineligible. The fee shall 36 be subject to the provisions of Chapter 12.5 (commencing with 37 Section 54985) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government 38 Code and shall not exceed the amount of the actual and reasonable 39 costs incurred by the assessor for reassessment work done due to

- 1 failure to file the claim for exclusion or one hundred seventy-five 2 dollar ((175), which even is loss
- 2 dollars (\$175), whichever is less.

3 (h) (1) After consultation with the California Assessors' 4 Association, the board shall, by emergency regulation, adopt 5 regulations and produce claim forms and instructions necessary 6 to implement this section and Section 2.1 of Article XIII A of the 7 California Constitution.

8 (2) Any emergency regulation prescribed, adopted, or enforced pursuant to this section shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 9 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of 10 Title 2 of the Government Code, and, for purposes of that chapter, 11 including Section 11349.6 of the Government Code, the adoption 12 of the regulation is an emergency and shall be considered by the 13 14 Office of Administrative Law as necessary for the immediate 15 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and general welfare. 16 17 SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that 18 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to 19 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made

20 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division

21 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

22 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact

23 subsequent legislation that would expand current provisions of

24 property tax law that provide relief to taxpayers affected by a

25 disaster in order to support families affected by fires in the County

26 of Los Angeles.

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