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To the Members of the House Committee on Taxation, a message from Mayor Bruce Armstrong of Haysville:

Please consider the long-term unintended consequences of Senate Bill 13 and the major provision it lacks when compared to the Utah legislation on which it is based. Utah's Truth-in-Taxation for property taxes excludes new growth when determining the revenue-neutral rate whereas SB 13 does not. This means Utah cities are allowed to increase the total dollars levied to account for new growth. When cities continue to grow through new residential, commercial, or industrial developments, there is an added cost to provide expected services to those newly developed areas. Since SB 13 does not allow the total dollars levied to be increased for new construction, cities will have to find a way to provide services to an expanding number of residents and business owners with no additional revenue. This may be tenable over a few years, but expanding cities will surely suffer over the long-term if SB 13 becomes law.

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