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**Subject:** SB 542

**Comment:** I am writing to express my deep concern about the proposed property tax on our National Forest Service lease cabin. My father purchased our cabin at Camp Senia near Red Lodge in 1961, and four generations of our family have loved and preserved our little two bedroom log cabin. We have limited use for only three months in the summer. We do not own the land but invest time and money protecting it. All of the families who own cabins at this National Historic Site are local Montanans or descended from locals; we are not wealthy out-of-staters using Montana as a playground.

Recently our property insurance has doubled due to increased fire danger. Two years ago, my family paid \$8000 for tree removal and other fire mitigation. We also pay a Forest Service lease. As these costs continue to rise, I fear the families who love and care for these cabins will be driven out. Please exempt our cabins from the tax increase and help us remain stewards of our historical treasures. Thank you.