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Thank you for holding this hearing on HB4007. As many have, my family lost everything in the Archie Creek Fire. Our lives this past 3.5 years have centered around recovery and rebuilding. Insurance funds were impacted by the spiraling costs of goods due to supply issues leaving us unable to complete rebuilding what we lost. And, of course, our 22 acres of timber are gone to our life span. We have weeded and replanted, but the drought took a good percentage of the seedlings. We are trying hard to prepare our lost timberland for the next generation. We have much to do. Tax relief would not only help us rebuild our lives, prepare our forestland for the future, but also help revive this small community as when possible we hire locally owned businesses. Please pass this tax relief as the impact would be huge in our lives and the lives of many affected by unneccesary wilfire destruction.