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Recently my older brother passed at almost 80 years old of complications with Cerebral Palsey and Parkinsons. He barely made the "threshold" which required estate taxes be charged against his estate. Before his death he was very upset that he was now being taxed again on what he already has been taxed on and could not leave his full estate to his intended beneficiaries and charities. I have since realized i will probably have that same upset as my property value and minimal investments have appreciated over time and I probably will just be over this same threshold. I am not happy to give more to "the government" than I have already been taxed for. This is particularly egregious to family farms and small family businesses, which must then be sold to a big corporation rather than be passed on to family. Please pass HB2301 and stop this double taxation. A family member / charity certainly keeps more circulating in the economy than holed up the government.