

Legislation Text

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PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO ALLEGED UNFAIRNESS IN COOK COUNTY'S PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Cook County is home to more than five million people and nearly two million properties, and

WHEREAS, a recent series in the Chicago Tribune outlines practices that allegedly result in poor property owners overpaying because their properties are assessed at too high a level, and

WHEREAS, that series also claims that the Cook County Assessor could use updated methods of assessing to ensure accuracy, and

WHEREAS, Cook County should strive to treat all people equally, and

WHEREAS, unfair assessments drive people out of their homes and harm communities, and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee would request that the Cook County Assessor appear before it on July 19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Cook County Board of Commissioners that a meeting of the Finance Committee be called and the Cook County Assessor's Office be prepared to brief the committee on this pressing issue.