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A proposed rule requiring state and local governments to disclose the total amount of property tax and some other abatements in any year is being considered by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB). I support the rule as proposed but also demand a much broader one. I would like disclosure of all state and local subsidies to businesses, and the recipients and their brokers fully identified along with any fees paid, any campaign contributions by the companies and brokers and a rigorous accounting of how many jobs were added, if any. I also want disclosures to cover the entire period of each deal as well as annual snapshots. I and all other private citizens must pay our taxes and the price we paid for our house, the current assessment of its value, the property tax owed and whether we paid are all public record. What justifies any less disclosure for exemptions from property taxes?

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