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House Bill 5358

Sponsor: Rep. Greg Kaza Committee: Tax Policy

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5358 AS INTRODUCED 11-2-95

The bill would amend the General Property Tax Act to prohibit an assessor or his or her agent from entering a person's homestead for purposes of assessment without that person's consent.

The term "homestead" would refer to 1) a dwelling or unit in a multiple dwelling unit occupied as a principal residence by an owner of the dwelling or unit; 2) unoccupied property classified as residential adjoining or contiguous to the dwelling; 3) any portion of a principal residence rented or leased to another person as long as the rented or leased portion is less than 50 percent of the living space; 4) a life care facility registered under the Living Care Disclosure Act; and 5) property owned by a cooperative housing corporation and occupied as a principal residence by tenant stockholders. (This is the definition found in the act for defining the term "homestead" for determining if property qualifies for the exemption from local school taxes.)

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