

# Truth in Taxation Testimony Worksheet

Good evening, my name is \_\_\_\_\_  
*first and last name*

I live at \_\_\_\_\_, I am  
*address*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*add your title and organization **IF** it is relevant to your testimony.*

I \_\_\_\_\_ the proposed property tax increase  
*support or oppose*

by \_\_\_\_\_.  
*political subdivision(s) proposing increases*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*share your personal story, supported with facts and data*

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

In closing, I encourage you to \_\_\_\_\_  
*reconsider or move forward with*

the proposed tax increase. Thank you for your time.

## Important Dates

### Early September:

Postcards notifying taxpayers of public hearings are mailed out at least seven days in advance of the public hearing.

### September 17 - 28:

Time period public hearings must be held. Hearings must be held after 6 PM.

## Additional Resources

Most counties are required to post details about required public hearings on their websites in early September. Find your county website at: [nebraska.gov/attractions/city-county/](https://nebraska.gov/attractions/city-county/)

Visit [PlatteInstitute.org/Truth](https://PlatteInstitute.org/Truth) to see all of our resources including Tips for Testifying, podcast interviews, and media coverage.

## Truth in Taxation Testimony Info

1. You will receive a Truth in Taxation postcard in the mail. Most counties will post the hearing details on their home page.
2. The postcard will have a phone number you can call with any questions.
3. You will be required to provide your full name and address in order to testify. If you have a security concern, officials conducting the hearing have the ability to waive that requirement.
4. It is highly likely that there will be a process for you to sign up to testify.
5. You will have a limited time to testify. Plan for 1 - 3 minutes. You can follow-up with more information if needed.
6. There is no limit to the number of people who can testify.