

TAX DEFERRAL AND EXEMPTION STUDY COMMITTEE

Members: 5
Appointed By: Board of Selectmen
Length of Term: Undefined
Appointments Made: As Needed
Meeting Times: As Posted

Description: The Selectmen's Tax Deferral and Exemption Study Committee is charged to review and make recommendations to the Board of Selectmen concerning options for the deferral or exemption of local property taxes under existing state law, or by home rule petition for a special act of the state legislature, that might enhance or make more accessible the property tax relief currently available to elderly, low-income, disabled or otherwise deserving residents. The options that the Committee may consider include, but are not limited to:

- Adjusting the terms of tax deferrals available to senior citizens under G.L. c. 59, §5, Clause 41A;
- Adjusting the terms of tax exemptions available to senior citizens under G.L. c. 59, §5, Clause 41C;
- Adopting cost-of-living (COLA) adjustments to Clause 41C eligibility limits under G.L. c. 59, § 5, Clause 41D; and
- Adopting other provisions for exemptions or other forms of tax relief that are now, or may become, available under state law.

Criteria for Membership:

Ref.: Revised charge adopted by Selectmen at its meeting on March 8, 2004.
Selectmen designated as Special Municipal Employees on January 18, 2006.