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I encourage you to be fair. If commercial losses are 45% and residential are 38%, then why would commercial not bear a larger burden of the tax increase? It hardly seems fair for residential customers to be responsible for the same 10% increase as commercial customers whose losses account for more of the deficit.

Many of us residential customers are retirees living on Social Security only (me for one). A 10% increase will be a hardship and means we go without something else (like food) or be forced to move out of the area. Commercial customers are in a better position to withstand a large increase, so why not increase theirs proportionately to the deficit since they account for more of that deficit?

I understand why it's necessary for the increase, but let's be fair about the increase and who pays what, proportionate to the deficit (38% residential; 45% commercial).

Thanks for accepting my comments.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]