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TSTA: Show us the money

Texas State Teachers Association President Noel Candelaria released the following statement on Gov. Abbott’s latest property tax proposal:

“The only way to reduce local school property taxes is to increase state funding for public education. If Gov. Abbott wants to limit rising property taxes, he needs to show us the money. Where is his school funding plan?”

“Our students have to do their math, and it’s time for the governor to address a simple arithmetic problem without shortchanging our students. He can’t put a limit on local tax funds for a growing student enrollment if the state doesn’t pay the balance.

“Without a plan for additional state funding, the governor’s proposal to limit local property taxes is nothing but an election year gimmick that would cut school funding and force curtailment of other critical public services, such as fire and police protection.”