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## FLASH 2



Pass the Eberharter Amendment and collect

### 12½ Billion Dollars

each year — without taking one cent from wages or earnings of productive capital — with no tax on buildings or improvements. THIS IS A TAX ONLY ON THE ANNUAL VALUE OF LAND.

It would be collected by the existing local taxing authorities, who would distribute it as follows:

\$7½ Billion — local communities would retain

\$2½ Billion — to states

\$2½ Billion — to the federal government

It will continue "wartime prosperity." There will be jobs for our ten million fighting men when the war is over.

# The Problem of Land Monopoly

The only true and just solution of the problem, the only end worth aiming at, is to make all the land the common property of all the people.

This principle conceded, the question of method arises. How shall this be done? Nothing is easier. It is merely necessary to divert the rent which now flows into the pockets of the landlords into the common treasury of the whole people. It is not possible to divide up the land as to give each family, still less each individual an equal share. And, even if that were possible, it would be impossible to maintain equality, for old people are constantly dying and new people constantly being born, while the relative value of land is constantly changing. But it is possible to divide the rent equally, or, what amounts to the same thing, to apply it to purposes of common benefit. This is the way, and this is the only way, in which absolute justice can be done. This is the way, and this is the only way, in which the equal right of every man, woman, and child can be acknowledged and secured.

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## EBERHARTER AMENDMENT (H. J. Res. 225)

### "ARTICLE —

"All men shall have equal rights to use the earth and to enjoy the product of their labors thereon. To secure these rights Congress shall have power to enact legislation to collect the yearly value of land in taxation, to remove taxes on improvements on land, and to apportion the revenue derived from taxes on the value of land among local, State, and Federal governmental units."

Please write to your Congressman and to Members of House Judiciary Committee to support this resolution (H. J. Res. 225). The members of this committee are

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