STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION MEETING
450 N Street, Room 121, Sacramento
NOTICE AND AGENDA
Meeting Agenda (as of 1/15/2014, 4:30 PM)

Agenda Changes

Webcast on Thursday, January 16, 2014

Thursday, January 16, 2014

10:00 a.m.   Board Committee Meetings Convene*

Board Meeting convenes upon Adjournment of the Board Committee Meetings**

Agenda items occur in the order in which they appear on the agenda. When circumstances warrant, the Board’s Chair may modify the order of the items on the agenda.

Board Committee Meetings*

Legislative Committee ..............................................................Mr. Horton, Committee Chairman

I. 2014 Legislative Proposals

Set forth below are suggestions for business taxes legislation to be sponsored by the BOE in the second year of the 2013-14 Legislative Session.

2014 Legislative Proposals: Business Taxes: Sales and Use Taxes

3-1 Amend Revenue and Taxation Code Section 6007 of, and add Revenue and Taxation Code Section 6009.2 to, the Sales and Use Tax Law to define “retail sale,” “sale at retail,” and “storage” and “use” to include any sale or purchase of counterfeit tangible personal property, as specified, regardless of whether the sale is for resale in the regular course of business.

3-2 Amend Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 4629.5 to (1) allow retailers to claim a bad debt deduction for the lumber products assessment and (2) establish a threshold of annual sales of $25,000 in qualifying lumber products, under which a retailer is not required to collect the lumber product assessment.
3-3 Amend Revenue and Taxation Code Section 6479.3 of the Sales and Use Tax Law to require taxpayers with sales and use tax liabilities averaging $20,000 or more per month, rather than $10,000 or more per month, to remit their tax payments via an electronic funds transfer.

3-4 Add Revenue and Taxation Code Section 6369.6 to the Sales and Use Tax Law to provide a sales and use tax exemption for terminally ill patients on purchases of medical marijuana.

2014 Legislative Proposals: Business Taxes: Special Taxes and Fees

4-1 Add the Managed Audit Program authority to the following Special Tax and Fee programs: Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law, Use Fuel Tax Law, Cigarette and Tobacco Products Tax Law, Alcoholic Beverage Tax Law, Energy Resources Surcharge Law, Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge Law, Hazardous Substances Tax Law, Integrated Waste Management Fee Law, Oil Spill Response, Prevention, and Administration Fees Law, Underground Storage Tank Maintenance Fee Law, Fee Collection Procedures Law, and Diesel Fuel Tax Law.

II. Discussion Item

Status of BOE-sponsored Assembly Bill 919 (Williams).

Property Tax Committee ..........................................................Mr. Runner, Committee Chairman


   Staff to present a report summarizing findings of information gathered from county assessors and the BOE’s State-Assessed Properties Division regarding the treatment of embedded software for assessment purposes.

Board Meeting**

A. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Appeals Hearings

   There are no items for this matter.

B. Corporate Franchise and Personal Income Tax Appeals Hearings

   (Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

   B1. Stephen Shain and Cathy Shain, 628402 +

       For Appellants: Stephen Shain, Taxpayer
                       Cathy Shain, Taxpayer
                       Kellen Furlin, Representative

       For Franchise Tax Board: Nancy Parker, Tax Counsel
                                Karen Smith, Tax Counsel
B2. __Kenneth Dean, 621012 +
   For Appellant: ________________Kenneth Dean, Taxpayer
   Kellen Furlin, Representative
   For Franchise Tax Board: ____________Richard Tay, Tax Counsel
   Karen Smith, Tax Counsel

C. Sales and Use Tax Appeals Hearings
   (Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

C1. __Gurenderjeet Singh Sandhu, 515741 (KH) +
   For Petitioner: ________________Gurenderjeet Sandhu, Taxpayer
   George Fakhouri, Representative
   For Department: ________________Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C2. __Rocks, LLC, 459156 (GH) +
   For Petitioner: ________________Jesse W. McClellan, Attorney
   For Department: ________________Scott Lambert, Hearing Representative

C3. __R & G Schatz Farms, Inc., 547724, 588579, 592624 (KH) +
   For Petitioner: ________________Rodney Schatz, Taxpayer
   ________________Gayla Schatz, Taxpayer
   For Department: ________________Monica Silva, Tax Counsel

D. Special Taxes Appeals Hearing
   (Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

D1a. __Sandy Seybert, 598180 (STF) +
D1b. __Sandy Seybert, 598183 (STF) +
   For Petitioner: ________________Alfredo Sotelo, Representative
   For Department: ________________Pamela Mash, Tax Counsel

There are no items for the following matters:
E. Property Tax Appeals Hearings
F. Public Hearings

G. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Consent
   (Contribution Disclosure forms not required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

G1. Legal Appeals Matters .................................................................Mr. Angeja
   ➢ Hearing Notice Sent – No Response
     1. Danein L. Lawrence and Larry Louis Lawrence, 553252 (KH)
     ➢ Hearing Notices Sent – Appearance Waived
       2. Distributor Warehouse, 512831, 574899 (EH)
       3. Ontario Systems Distribution, Inc., 512828, 574890 (EH)
     ➢ Petitions for Rehearing
       4. William G. Morschauser, 225366, 255762, 341121, 530753 (AP)
       5. Store2Door, Inc., 352179 (AC)
G2. Franchise and Income Tax Matters .............................................. Mr. Epolite
   ➢ Hearing Notice Sent – No Response
      1. Rick Burningham, 688096
   ➢ Decisions
      2. Thomas Bodnar, 605188
      3. C & K Market, Inc., 595880
      4. Kevin Carlson, 635406
      5. Jean Cassio, 644412
      6. Patricia Clinton, 631008
      7. Eric W. Conner, 644425
      8. Zac Cook and Melissa Cook, 595773
      9. Raymond Cruz, Sr. and Frances Cruz, 612450
     10. Gloria Deanda, 640306
     11. Hector L. Diaz and Gale L. McDougall, 596029
     12. Paul S. Entin, 575896
     13. Edward Frierson and Andrae Frierson, 627539
     14. John M. Giles and Rosalyn D. Giles, 609560
     15. Joseph A. Harvan, 595048
     16. Masami Hirata, 606576
     17. Rebeca G. Huereque, 605982
     18. Troy Jolliff, 638354
     19. Ruben F. Lapus and Aurora P. Lapus, 636953
     20. Noah Montgomery, 613868
     21. Frank E. Pinder, III, 636632
     22. Michael Rogalski and Anna K. Rogalski, 636186
     23. Christine Ryan, 682947
     24. Tracey Scraper, 603326
     25. Milton P. Smith, III, 589184
     26. Ray Todd and Mary Todd, 574310
     27. Tommy H. Woo and Irene M. Woo, 610958
   ➢ Petitions for Rehearing
      28. Elias Gallegos, III, 575218, 575222
      29a. James S. Gandrup, 605520
      29b. Carol Grant, 600451
      29c. Eldo M. Klingenberg, Jr., 600453
      29d. Dan Pickell, 600488
      29e. Marianne Pretscher-Johnson, 605527
     30. Daxius Donald Gregory, 625150
     31a. Benjamin F. Killen, 606504
     31b. James V. Robertson, 608631
     31c. Champion Wiseman, 608439
     32. Jason Kowalski, 588431
     33. Charles A. McConnell, 608455

G3. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters
   There are no items for this matter.
G4. Sales and Use Taxes Matters........................................Mr. McGuire

- Redeterminations
  1. 3Trace, 728077 (EA)
  2. Integra Lifesciences Corporation, 573658 (OH)
  3. ADT Security Services, Inc., 598193 (OH)
  4. Spansion, LLC, 743394 (GH)
  5. INO Therapeutics, LLC, 577578 (OH)
  6. Integra Lifesciences Corporation, 572717 (OH)
  7. Larry William Delorefice, 519803 (CH)
  8. Primera Technology, Inc., 491473 (OH)

- Relief of Penalty/Interest
  9. Office Club, Inc., 768803 (OH)

- Denials of Claims for Refund
  10. Nissan Motor Acceptance Corp., 571352 (OH)
  12. San Diego County Credit Union, 466552 (FH)
  13. Motion Industries, Inc., 539351 (FH)
  14. Westlake Services, Inc., 546342 (AS)
  15. Kemira Chemicals, Inc., 621307 (OH)
  16. Mainstreet Enterprises, 606749 (EA)
  17. Carmax Business Services, LLC, 636353 (OH)

- Grant-One Day Interest Relief
  18. Tustin Buick GMC, Inc., 771823 (EA)
  19. Collins Family Jewelers, Inc., 771824 (FH)
  20. Clear Creek Systems, Inc., 771821 (DF)
  21. Recreation Republic, 771822 (FH)
  22. STA Sales, Inc., 771819 (AC)
  23. JX Nippon Oil & Energy Corp., 771820 (OH)

G5. Sales and Use Taxes Matters – Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds .................................................................Mr. McGuire

- Credits and Cancellations
  1. Avalon Shutters, Inc., 759959 (EH)
  2. Pierce Manufacturing, Inc., 772630 (OH)
  3. Clifford C. Post, 609636 (FH)
  4. Heriberto Reyna, 768831 (DF)
  5. The Healing Center, Inc., 621163 (AC)

- Refunds
  6. Nissan Motor Acceptance, Corp., 571352 (OH)
  7. Blue Cross of California, 715851 (AR)
  8. Trojan Petroleum, Inc., 721745 (GH)
  9. American Honda Finance, Corp., 436952 (AS)
  10. Genesys Telecommunications Labs, 579096 (BH)
  11. Hexcel Corporation, 594427 (CH)
  12. San Diego County Credit Union, 466552 (FH)
  14. CD Video Manufacturing, Inc., 758088 (EA)
  15. Good Samaritan Hospital, LP 594114 (GH)
16. Valero Refining, Co. –CA, 727872 (OH)
17. Saint-Gobain Containers, Inc., 740175 (OH)
18. Central Valley Meat Co. Inc., 603822 (DF)
19. Sodexo Remote Sites Partnership, 723213 (AR)
20. Westlake Services, Inc., 546342 (AS)
22. Fres-co Systems USA, Inc., 728955 (OH)
23. Ino Therapeutics, LLC, 577540 (OH)
24. Winco Foods, LLC, 608876 (OH)
25. Medcal Sales, LLC, 718991 (EH)
26. NFL Enterprises, LLC, 531663 (OH)
27. Siemens Demag Deval Turbo, Inc., 766781 (OH)
28. Syndero, Inc., 767513 (AS)
29. Carmax Business Services, LLC 636353 (OH)
30. Qualcomm Labs, Inc., 734428 (FH)

G6. Special Taxes Matters
There are no items for this matter.

G7. Special Taxes Matters – Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds ....... Mr. Gau
   ➢ Refund
   1. Accolade Wines North America, Inc., 766493 (STF) ‘CF’

G8. Property Tax Matters ......................................................... Mr. Gau
   ➢ Petition for Reassessment of Unitary Value and Penalty
     Abatement on Unitary Escape Assessment
   1. NTT America, Inc., (7732), 734425 ‘CF’

There are no items for the following matters:
G9. Cigarette License Fee Matters
G10. Legal Appeals Property Tax Matters

H. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters – Adjudicatory
(Contribution Disclosure forms required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

H1. Legal Appeals Matters ....................................................... Mr. Angeja
   ➢ Cases Heard Not Decided
     1. Benalex Windows & Doors Corp., 446664 (AA) +
   ➢ Matter for Board Consideration
     2. Karen D. Hulse, 458251 (EH) +
   ➢ Petition for Rehearing
     3. Nnadi Linus Udengwu, 515515 (AP) +
There are no items for the following matters:
H2. Franchise and Income Tax Matters
H3. Homeowner and Renter Property Tax Assistance Matters
H4. Sales and Use Taxes Matters
H5. Sales and Use Taxes Matters – Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds
H6. Special Taxes Matters
H7. Special Taxes Matters – Credits, Cancellations, and Refunds
H8. Property Tax Matters
H9. Cigarette License Fee Matters
H10. Legal Appeals Property Tax Matters

I. Tax Program Nonappearance Matters
(Contribution Disclosure forms not required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)

I1. Property Taxes Matters
   There are no items for this matter.

I2. Offer in Compromise Recommendations..............................Mr. Anderson
   1. Deepak Chopra
   2. Gasa Investments Corporation
   3a. Gerardo Cipres
   3b. Celia Cipres
   4. Victor L. Lucero and Gail Lucero
   5. James Jason Conlin
   6. Esprit US Retail Limited
   7a. Marshall Jordan
   7b. Ruth Jordan
   8. Sam Ayesh
   9. Kemal Dogan
   10. Stephen Wayne Sundes

I3. Local Tax Reallocation Matter .............................................Ms. Nienow
   ➢ Section 40 (AB 2323) Matter
   1. Cities of Fontana, Lathrop and San Bernardino, 435564 +

Chief Counsel Matters
Items that appear under these matters provide information to the Members and may require Board action or direction.

J. Rulemaking

J1. Proposed Adoption of Revised Amendments to Sales and Use Tax Regulation 1705, Relief from Liability ..............................Mr. Heller
   Request for adoption of proposed amendments to Regulation 1705 with the change authorized on December 17, 2013.
There are no items for the following matters:
K. Business Taxes
L. Property Taxes
M. Other Chief Counsel Matters

Administrative Session
Items that appear under these matters provide information to the Members and may require Board action or direction.

N. Consent Agenda ................................................................. Ms. Richmond
   (Contribution Disclosure forms not required pursuant to Gov. Code, § 15626.)
   N1. Retirement Resolutions +
       • Patricia A. Beacham
       • Walter Cochara
       • J. Kevin Hartnett
   N2. Approval of Board Meeting Minutes
       • October 22, 2013 +
       • October 29-31, 2013 +
   N3. Proposed Revisions to Audit Manual, Chapter 1, General Information +
   N4. Proposed Revision to Audit Manual, Chapter 4, General Audit Procedures +

O. Adoption of Board Committee Reports and Approval of Committee Actions
   O1. Legislative Committee
   O2. Property Tax Committee

P. Other Administrative Matters
   P1. Executive Director’s Report ............................................. Ms. Bridges
       1. CROS Project Update and Actions ..................................Mr. Steen
          Progress on the CROS project to replace BOE’s two
current tax legacy technology systems.

   There are no items for this matter.
   P2. Chief Counsel Report
   P3. Sales and Use Tax Deputy Director’s Report
P4. Property and Special Taxes Deputy Director’s Report ......................... Mr. Gau
   1. Effects of Proposition 10 on Cigarette and Tobacco Products Consumption

   Section 130105(c) of the Health and Safety Code, as added by Proposition 10, requires the Board to determine the effect of Proposition 10 on the consumption of cigarettes and tobacco products and directs that a transfer of funds to Proposition 99 and breast cancer programs be made to backfill for revenue losses to those programs resulting from consumption changes triggered by Proposition 10. The intent of the backfill is to keep the funding levels of certain Proposition 99 and breast cancer programs from declining any more than they would have decreased without the Proposition 10 tax increase.

P5. Administration Deputy Director’s Report .............................................. Ms. Houser
   1. 2014/15 Budget Update

   Information on the Governor’s 2014/15 Budget may be provided.

   There are no items for this matter.

P6. Technology Deputy Director’s Report

P7. External Affairs Deputy Director’s Report

Announcement of Closed Session .......................................................... Ms. Richmond

Q. Closed Session

   Q1. Discussion and approval of staff recommendations regarding settlement cases (Rev. & Tax. Code, §§ 6901, 7093.5, 30459.1, 50156.11).

   Q2. Discussion of Master Settlement Agreement Tobacco Litigation (Gov. Code, §11126(e)).

   Q3. Discussion and action on personnel matters (Gov. Code, § 11126(a)).

Announcement of Open Session ............................................................... Ms. Richmond

Adjourn

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Board Proceedings Division

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+ Material is available for this item.

++ Material will be available at a later date.

‘CF’ Constitutional Function – The Deputy State Controller may not participate in this matter under Government Code section 7.9.