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BOARD MEMBER
CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

MEMORANDUM

Date: January 21, 2021

To: Mike Schaefer, Board Vice Chair, District 4
Ted Gaines, Board Member, District 1
Betty T. Yee, State Controller

From: Antonio Vazquez, Board Member, District 3
Malia M. Cohen, Chair, District 2

Re: **January 26, 2022 Board Meeting, Agenda Item M.2. Public Policy Hearing. AAB Remote Hearings: Report on Proposed LTA Based on Substantial Consensus Language by Work Group on November 18, 2021.**

As directed by the Board through several motions approved at the November 18, 2021, Public Policy Hearing on Item M.2., Assessment Appeals Boards (AABs) Remote Hearings, the Executive Director will present a report on a proposed LTA, reflecting the concurrence of the Work Group participants regarding language revisions to Letter to Assessors (LTA) 2021/002, *AAB Remote Hearings During the COVID-19 Pandemic* proposed by Work Group members.

The report will include a draft LTA containing the proposed language on which consensus was reached by the Work Group, reviewed by BOE staff for technical and legal consistency.

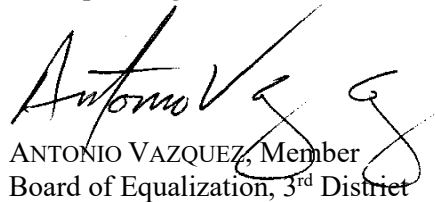
By way of background, during the November 18, 2021, hearing, the Board identified the following status of the proposed language on each of the issues, which is reflected in the proposed draft LTA to be presented on January 26, 2022.

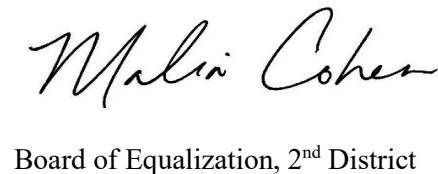
- **Issue #1, Rights of Hearing Participants.**
 - 1st Sentence: No Consensus.
 - 2nd Sentence: Due Process – No consensus.
 - 3rd Sentence: Postponement Requests, Time Waivers and Justification
 - Paragraph 1 – Consensus
 - Paragraph 2 – Consensus in concept, staff to draft language for Board consideration
 - Paragraph 3 – Consensus
- **Issue #2, Document Submission.**
 - No Consensus.

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- Issue #3, Scheduling Efficiencies and Notices.
 - Consensus.
- Issue #4, Information Requests.
 - Consensus.

In summary, the Board recognizes and is extremely grateful for the dedicated effort and highly specialized testimony, documents and proposals that the Work Group participants have provided over the past six months. Both the Board and the public have been significantly educated in the process of vetting these issues; which process has now brought us to the point where we may be prepared to move forward with updated guidance.


 ANTONIO VAZQUEZ, Member
 Board of Equalization, 3rd District


 Board of Equalization, 2nd District

cc: Hon. Leslie Morgan, President, California Assessors' Association (CAA); and Shasta County Assessor-Recorder
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