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No. 2020/029

June 29, 2020

TO COUNTY ASSESSORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

2020 TAXPAYERS' BILL OF RIGHTS HEARING

The Board of Equalization's Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office would like to announce the annual Taxpayers' Bill of Rights public hearing before the Members of the California State Board of Equalization. The hearing provides taxpayers, Assessors, or other local agencies with the opportunity to provide comments on items discussed in the State Board of Equalization's Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's Annual Report, identify means to correct any problems described in the report, and to comment on all Board-administered programs or local property tax issues.

The hearing will be held on **August 18, 2020**, starting at approximately 10:00 a.m. and may be viewed via a live-streamed or archived webcast. The hearing will be noticed as part of the Board Meeting agenda for the August 18, 2020 meeting, which can be accessed 10 days prior to the meeting at <http://www.boe.ca.gov/meetings/boardcomm.htm>.

A copy of the most recent Annual Report (2018-19) is available on the State Board of Equalization's website at <http://www.boe.ca.gov/tra/tra1819.pdf>. Please note that this report highlights our Information Sheets, a new educational resource developed by the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office to help taxpayers understand various property tax topics. Three Information Sheets, part of a series on property tax exclusions and exemptions, have been issued to date; each is written in simple, non-technical terms. The first two Information Sheets address exclusion from reassessment for real property transfers among family members; one for transfers between parents and children, and another for transfers from grandparents to grandchildren. The newest Information Sheet addresses the transfer of base year value on the principal residence for persons 55 and over. Information Sheets are available on our website at: <http://www.boe.ca.gov/tra/infosheets.htm>.

If you are interested in being scheduled as a speaker at the hearing, please refer to information about the hearing on our website under the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate area at <http://www.boe.ca.gov/tra/>. If you have any questions, you may contact the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office at 1-916-327-2217.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lisa Thompson

Lisa Thompson
Chief, Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office

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PRESENT YOUR IDEAS AND CONCERNS ON
PROPERTY TAXES AND THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TAX.

The Bill of Rights Hearing will start at approximately 10:00 a.m.



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE ADVOCATE'S ANNUAL REPORT,
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