



BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

**CUSTOMER SERVICES AND ADMINISTRATIVE
EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

HONORABLE BILL LEONARD, COMMITTEE CHAIR
450 N STREET, SACRAMENTO

NOVEMBER 15, 2005, 1:30 P.M.

ACTION ITEMS & STATUS REPORT ITEMS

Agenda Item No: 1

Title: *Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's 2004-05 Property and Business Taxes Annual Report*

Issue/Topic:

Presentation of Agenda Item No. 1 to Members of the Board of Equalization. The Annual Report highlights the accomplishments, current issues, emerging issues, and taxpayer contacts with the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office in the property and business taxes areas.

Committee Discussion:

Board Member Bill Leonard introduced the *Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's 2004-05 Property and Business Taxes Annual Report* to the Board. Taxpayer Advocate Todd Gilman indicated this was the first time the property and business taxes reports had been combined. This has resulted in a more comprehensive document and a single resource for Board Members, staff, taxpayers, and assessors. According to Mr. Gilman, many of the recommendations in the Annual Report have been acted upon and others are in progress. Mr. Gilman was recognized for his role as the Advocate for taxpayers and his activities on their behalf.

Committee Action/Recommendation/Direction:

The *Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's 2004-05 Property and Business Taxes Annual Report* was presented as an informational resource. As a result, no action was required.

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Approved:



Honorable Bill Leonard, Committee Chair



Ramon J. Hirsig, Executive Director

BOARD APPROVED

At the November 15, 2005 Board Meeting



Deborah Pellegrini, Chief
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