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BOE Chairman Issues Statement on State Auditor's Report

Sacramento – California State Board of Equalization (BOE) Chairman Jerome E. Horton issued the following statement regarding the Bureau of State Audits report about relocation of the BOE from its troubled downtown Sacramento headquarters building.

“We are pleased that the California State Auditor has examined the critical issues facing the Board of Equalization’s Headquarters Building. As we all know, this building has been plagued with many continuing problems. I have long called for a comprehensive solution, including addressing all of the health and safety issues which have been identified, and in the long term, a consolidation and relocation of the BOE’s headquarters which will allow our workforce to continue to provide quality, first rate service to the public.”

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Elected in 2010, Chairman Jerome E. Horton is the Fourth District Member of the California State Board of Equalization, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the Board of Equalization’s Legislative Committee Chairman. He is the first to serve on the Board of Equalization with over 21 years of experience at the BOE. Horton previously served as an Assembly Member of the California State Assembly from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board of Equalization collects more than \$56 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and serves a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes. For more information on other taxes and fees in California, visit www.taxes.ca.gov.

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