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**YEE ANNOUNCES TAX ASSISTANCE SEMINAR
FOR BAY AREA NONPROFIT AND EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS**

Acting Board of Equalization Member Betty T. Yee, along with Senate President Pro Tempore Don Perata, is sponsoring a free one-day tax seminar for nonprofit and exempt organizations in the Bay Area.

Yee encourages those responsible for nonprofit and exempt organizations to attend and learn more about how tax laws and reporting requirements affect them. Topics will include property taxes, employment taxes, sales and use taxes and raffle laws.

Experts from the State Board of Equalization, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, Internal Revenue Service, and the Attorney General's Office will be on hand to assist and answer questions.

Date: Thursday, June 23, 2005
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)
Place: Elihu Harris State Building, Auditorium
1515 Clay Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Registration is available online at www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/tpsched.htm. For more information please call Chris Mejia at 916-324-2068.

Acting Board Member Betty T. Yee, of San Francisco, assumed the First District seat on the Board of Equalization in 2004.

The five-member Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board collects more than \$44 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 plays a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes.

Other Board Members include Bill Leonard of Sacramento/Ontario, Second District; Claude Parrish of Long Beach, Third District; Chairman John Chiang of Los Angeles, Fourth District and State Controller Steve Westly.

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