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## **Board of Equalization Creates New App for iPhone**

*New Mobile Application Makes Easy Access to Tax Information*

Jerome E. Horton, Vice Chairperson of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE), today announced the creation of a new mobile application to enable users to access BOE tax information from the iPhone.

“This new BOE App for iPhone is another way the BOE is moving forward using technology,” said Vice Chairperson Horton. “The BOE continues to make information easily accessible to taxpayers.”

The free BOE App for iPhone is now available to download on Apple’s [iTunes App Store](#).

The creation of this iPhone app furthers the BOE’s commitment to provide conveniently accessible information options for tax and fee payers. Earlier this year, the BOE customized some of its current online services for mobile devices, such as smart phones. The versions can be found on the BOE Mobile Services page, [www.boe.ca.gov/info/mobile\\_services.htm](http://www.boe.ca.gov/info/mobile_services.htm), located by clicking the cell phone icon on the BOE homepage under ‘Connect with Us’.

iPhone users can now also find a BOE office or verify a permit by using the new app. When looking for a BOE office, with one click, taxpayers can find the location on a map or give the office a call, as well as get turn-by-turn directions. To verify a permit, simply type in the permit number and with a tap of a button find out if the permit is valid. The mobile apps provide a free, customized interface to BOE tax information.

The State of California website has a mobile application at [www.mobile.ca.gov](http://www.mobile.ca.gov) that also links to the BOE to find a BOE district office, validate an account number, and access the California Tax Service Center.

Vice Chairperson Jerome E. Horton is the 4<sup>th</sup> District Member of the BOE, representing more than 8.5 million residents in Los Angeles County. He is also the BOE Legislative Committee chairperson. Horton is the first African American to serve on the BOE since its inception in 1879, and the third African American constitutional officer in California’s history. Horton was appointed by the Governor and confirmed by both the Assembly and the Senate in 2009. Horton previously served as an Assembly member from 2000-2006.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects more than \$48 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](http://www.taxes.ca.gov).

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