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Chairman Jerome E. Horton Responds to Governor's State Budget Proposal

Los Angeles – California State Board of Equalization (BOE) Chairman Jerome E. Horton issued the following statement regarding Governor Jerry Brown's state budget plan:

"I commend the Governor for ending the one-day-a-month state employee furloughs. State employees, on-par, are an extremely productive asset to our state. In particular, the Board of Equalization is among the most productive revenue-generating agencies in the nation, administering more than 30 tax and fee programs that generate approximately \$54 billion annually. These are funds that finance vital public services such as our children's schools and universities, public safety, and roads. The current furlough program is causing a net loss or delay of \$73 million in desperately-needed state revenues and I look forward to the time when the BOE team can commence collections of the lost opportunities."

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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 \$53.7 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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