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# News Release

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## **BILL LEONARD ANNOUNCES FREE TAX SEMINAR FOR ANTELOPE VALLEY NONPROFIT AND FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS**

Bill Leonard, Member of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE), along with State Senator George Runner and Assemblywoman Sharon Runner, is sponsoring a free one-day tax seminar to assist nonprofit organizations in the Antelope Valley.

Leonard encourages those involved with nonprofit, exempt, and faith-based organizations to attend and learn how tax laws and reporting requirements affect their operations.

Participants are encouraged to bring questions about tax laws and reporting requirements and speak with experts from:

Board of Equalization  
Internal Revenue Service  
Office of the Attorney General

Franchise Tax Board  
Santa Clarita Valley Resource Center  
Employment Development Department

Topics will include tax laws for nonprofits, employment taxes, property tax exemptions, volunteers, compliance issues for existing exempt organizations, and recent developments in charity law.

**Date:** Wednesday, October 10, 2007  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)  
**Place:** Larry Chimbole Cultural Center  
Manzanita Ballroom  
38350 Sierra Highway  
Palmdale, CA 93550

Registration is available online at [www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/nonprofitsched.htm](http://www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/nonprofitsched.htm), or you can register by phone at 213-593-1311.

Bill Leonard, of Sacramento/Ontario, was re-elected as the Second District Member of the State Board of Equalization in November 2007. Prior to his election, he served in the State Assembly (1978-1988, 1996-2002) and in the State Senate (1988-1996).

The five-member Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board collects nearly \$53 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.

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