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**YEE ANNOUNCES SEMINAR FOR SOUTH BAY SMALL BUSINESSES**

Betty T. Yee, Acting Member of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE), today announced that federal, state, and local government agencies will team up to offer a free, one-day event providing tax assistance to small businesses in the South Bay Area.

Small business owners are encouraged to attend and bring questions on tax laws and regulations. Representatives from the BOE, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, Internal Revenue Service, Small Business Administration, and other local, state, and federal agencies will be on hand to assist attendees.

**Date:** Friday, October 28, 2005  
**Time:** 8:15 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Crowne Plaza Hotel  
777 Bellew Dr.  
Milpitas, CA 95035

Registration will begin at 8:15 a.m., followed by Ms. Yee's opening remarks.

The fair will include general information sessions and workshops tailored to suit the needs of small business owners. Topics to be presented include sales and use tax basics, state income tax and small business, sales tax for construction contractors, business expenses/recordkeeping (IRS), and avoiding state payroll reporting errors.

For more information call (408) 277-8203. For an online list of seminars see <http://www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/tpsched.htm>

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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