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Help is Available For Taxpayers Falling Behind on Payments **BOE Now Accepts Online Requests for Payment Plans**

Sacramento – The California State Board of Equalization’s (BOE) newest convenient website service allows qualifying tax or fee payers to request a [payment plan online](#). Payment plans allow tax or fee payers to pay down a past due balance over time, helping them avoid additional penalties and interest.

“California taxpayers deserve credit for bringing this commonsense idea to our attention,” said Board of Equalization Member George Runner. “In addition our Taxpayers’ Rights Advocate’s Office and technology team deserve recognition for their diligent efforts to make this idea a reality.”

“We understand that sometimes taxpayers get overextended and cannot make their payments on time,” said BOE Executive Director Cynthia Bridges. “We want to work together to find solutions.”

Almost any tax or fee payer with a past due balance can apply for a payment plan. To be eligible, customers need to file all required tax or fee returns and have a checking or savings account. Program details and restrictions are available [online](#) at www.boe.ca.gov.

Assistance is also available by calling the BOE’s Customer Service Center at 1-800-400-7115.

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Elected in November 2010, George Runner represents the State Board of Equalization's Second District. He is a leading advocate for California taxpayers. Runner has worked to improve California’s tax policies and practices and to create and retain more private sector jobs in our state. Prior to his election to the Board, Runner served twelve years in the State Legislature, authoring the well-known California Amber Alert and California's Blue Alert. As a thoughtful conservative, his legislative priorities included improving the economy, business growth, education excellence, and public safety for all Californians. As a member of the Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee, Runner consistently led the fight against tax increases and supported tax relief for families and businesses.

The five-member California State Board of Equalization (BOE) is a publicly elected tax board. The BOE collects \$52.5 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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