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# News Release

## George Runner, Member

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### **Free Tax Seminar for Nonprofit and Exempt Organizations in Fresno**

**Sacramento** – Organizations and individuals who want to learn about important state laws that affect nonprofits or managers who want to increase the success of their nonprofit organizations are invited to attend a [free educational tax seminar](#) in Fresno on Thursday, September 11, 2014. Attendees will learn how to comply with California’s often complex tax laws.

California State Board of Equalization (BOE) Member George Runner is sponsoring this free event with Senator Tom Berryhill, Senator Andy Vidak, and Fresno Mayor Ashley Swearingin.

“Nonprofits are essential to the well-being of our state,” said Runner. “My goal is to help nonprofits be successful by ensuring they understand California’s complicated tax laws.”

Representatives from the BOE, Employment Development Department, and Franchise Tax Board will offer assistance on sales and use taxes for nonprofits, compliance for exempt organizations, employment taxes and nonprofits, and property tax exemptions.

**Event:** Fresno Tax Seminar for Nonprofit and Exempt Organizations

**Date:** Thursday, September 11, 2014

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.  
(Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)

**Place:** Gap Distribution Center  
3400 Gap Drive  
Fresno, CA 93727

**Registration:** 1-888-847-9652 or [online](#)

Learn more about a variety of other BOE [in-person classes](#) and [online seminars](#).

**Editor’s note:** The following PSAs ([30-second audio](#)) and ([30-second video](#)) are available for your use.

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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 \$56 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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