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**YEE ANNOUNCES FREE TAX SEMINAR FOR SANTA CRUZ
NONPROFIT AND EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS**

Betty T. Yee, Acting Member of the California State Board of Equalization (BOE), along with Senator Joe Simitian and Assemblymember John Laird are sponsoring a free one-day tax seminar to assist nonprofit and exempt organizations in Santa Cruz and surrounding areas.

Yee encourages those responsible for nonprofit and exempt organizations to attend and learn how tax laws and reporting requirements affect their operations. Topics will include property taxes, employment taxes, sales taxes and other relevant tax laws for nonprofit organizations.

Experts from the BOE, Employment Development Department, Franchise Tax Board, Office of the Attorney General, and Internal Revenue Service will be on hand to assist attendees.

Date: Thursday, October 19, 2006
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (check-in begins at 8:30 a.m.)
Place: University Inn and Conference Center
611 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Those wishing to attend may register online at <http://www.boe.ca.gov/sutax/nonprofitsched.htm>. For more information please call 916-341-7389.

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 almost \$50 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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