June 27, 2019

TO COUNTY ASSESSORS AND INTERESTED PARTIES:

2019 TAXPAYERS' BILL OF RIGHTS HEARING

The Board of Equalization's Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office would like to announce the annual Taxpayers' Bill of Rights public hearing before the Members of the California State Board of Equalization. The hearing provides taxpayers, assessors, or other local agencies with the opportunity to provide comments on items discussed in the State Board of Equalization's Taxpayers' Rights Advocate's Annual Report, identify means to correct any problems described in the report, and to comment on all Board-administered programs or local property tax issues.

The Taxpayers' Bill of Rights Hearing will be held on August 27, 2019 at the location listed below starting at approximately 10:00 a.m. and may be viewed via a live-streamed or archived webcast. The hearing will be noticed as part of the Board Meeting agenda for the August 27-28, 2019 meeting, which can be accessed at http://www.boe.ca.gov/meetings/boardcomm.htm 10 days prior to the meeting.

State Board of Equalization
450 N Street, 1st Floor, Board Room
Sacramento, CA 95814

A copy of the most recent Annual Report (2017-18) is available on the State Board of Equalization's website at http://www.boe.ca.gov/tra/tra1718.pdf. Please note that this report announces the issuance of two information sheets, a new education resource issued by the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office (TRA-Office) to help taxpayers understand various topics that may result in property tax savings for them. The first information sheet discusses the exclusion from reassessment for real property transfers between parents and children, and the second addresses the exclusion on transfers from grandparents to grandchildren. These information sheets are the start of a series developed by the TRA-Office on property tax exclusions and exemptions; each written in simple, non-technical terms. The information sheets are available on our website at: http://www.boe.ca.gov/tra/infosheets.htm.

If you are interested in being scheduled as a speaker or attending the hearing, please refer to information about the hearing on our website under the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate area at http://www.boe.ca.gov/tra/. If you have any questions, you may contact the Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office at 1-916-327-2217.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lisa Thompson

Lisa Thompson
Chief, Taxpayers' Rights Advocate Office
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PRESENT YOUR IDEAS AND CONCERNS ON PROPERTY TAXES AND THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE TAX.

The Bill of Rights Hearing will start at approximately 10:00 a.m.

TUESDAY
AUGUST 27
450 N Street, 1st Floor, Board Room
Sacramento, CA 95814

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR A COPY OF THE ADVOCATE’S ANNUAL REPORT, visit www.boe.ca.gov/tra or contact the Taxpayers’ Rights Advocate Office at 1-916-327-2217.

This location is accessible to people with disabilities. For assistance call 1-916-323-9656.

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