



TTARA Annual Membership Meeting ~ October 2-3, 2006

In conjunction with the Institute for Professionals in Taxation

Austin Marriott at the Capitol, 701 East 11th Street, Austin, TX 78701, Phone: 512-478-1111

The Institute for Professionals in Taxation, in cooperation with the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association (TTARA), presents a Tax Seminar at the Austin Marriott at the Capitol, 701 East 11th Street, Austin, TX 78701, Phone: 512-478-1111.

Registration Procedure

Complete your registration form as soon as possible and mail it with your registration fee to TTARA, 400 W. 15th Street, Suite 400, Austin, TX 78701, in order to take advantage of the opportunity to attend this program. This seminar is an excellent forum in which taxpayers and taxpayer representatives can meet face-to-face with numerous Texas officials and other tax professionals to ask questions.

Recommended attire is business or business casual.

Hotel Information

Call the Austin Marriott at 1-800-228-9290 to reserve your guest room. You must request a room in the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association's block of rooms to receive the negotiated room rate of \$145. **Make your reservations early to ensure availability.** The cut-off date for TTARA's group rate is September 10, 2006. Reservations requested beyond the cut-off date or after the room block is filled, whichever comes first, are subject to availability. Rooms may still be available after the cut-off date, but not necessarily at the group rate. Should you need to cancel, please contact the Austin Marriott at least 72 hours prior to the date of your arrival to avoid cancellation penalties.

Institute for Professionals in Taxation

The Institute, an educational organization founded in 1976, is dedicated to a high degree of professionalism with a strict Code of Professional Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct for its members, to a uniform and equitable administration of ad valorem and sales and use taxes, and to minimizing the cost of tax administration and compliance.

Continuing Education Credit

CMEs will receive hour-for-hour continuing education credits for actual session attendance (based on a 50-minute credit hour) upon submittal of the appropriate continuing education form.



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PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS, MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

9:30-10:00 am	Registration (Ballroom A-D)
10:00-12:00 am	Comptroller's Tax Rules and Regulations Update <i>Buddy Breivogel</i> , Manager, Property Tax, Comptroller's Office <i>William Hamner</i> , Assistant Director of Tax Administration, Comptroller's Office <i>Tim Mashburn</i> , General Counsel, Comptroller's Office <i>Mike Reissig</i> , Director of Tax Administration, Comptroller's Office
12:00-1:00 pm	Luncheon
1:00-2:15 pm	Living on the Margin: The Issues Ahead <i>Steven Anderson</i> , KPMG LLP <i>Karey Barton</i> , Ryan & Company <i>Patricia Galbraith</i> , Director, State & Local Taxes, Entergy
2:15-3:15 pm	Where Property Tax Rates Are Heading <i>Dan Casey</i> , Moak, Casey and Associates <i>Carey Boethel</i> , Texas Association of Counties <i>Frank Sturzl</i> , Executive Director, Texas Municipal League
3:15-3:30 pm	Break
3:30-4:00 pm	Texas State Fiscal Outlook <i>Blaine Brunson</i> , Budget Director, Lieutenant Governor's Office <i>John Heleman</i> , Chief Revenue Estimator, Comptroller's Office
4:00-5:00 pm	The Tax Story Across the Fifty States <i>Joe Crosby</i> , Legislative Director, Council on State Taxation (COST)
5:00-6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting (Ballroom F-H) [Board members only]
6:00-7:30 pm	Chairman's Reception (Capitol View Terrace) [All attendees invited]

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:00-8:30 am	Registration (Ballroom A-D)
8:30-9:00 am	Business Meeting
9:00-9:30 am	Issues for the 80th Legislature: The Job is Not Done <i>The Honorable Florence Shapiro</i> , Chair, Senate Education Committee
9:30-10:00 am	Tax Changes on the Horizon <i>The Honorable Susan Combs</i> , Texas Agriculture Commissioner
10:00-10:30 am	A New Look at Our Appraisal System? <i>Tom Pauken</i> , Chair, Texas Task Force on Appraisal Reform
10:30-11:30 am	Are Appraisal Caps and Spending Limits Good for Texas? <i>The Honorable Dwayne Bohac</i> , Vice Chair, House Elections Committee <i>The Honorable Dennis Bonnen</i> , Chair, House Environmental Regulation Committee <i>The Honorable Fred Hill</i> , Chair, House Local Ways & Means Committee <i>The Honorable Jim Keffer</i> , Chair, House Ways & Means Committee
11:30-12:30 pm	Texas Politics <i>George S. Christian</i> , TTARA, Moderator <i>Paul Burka</i> , Texas Monthly Magazine <i>Harvey Kronberg</i> , Quorum Report <i>Ross Ramsey</i> , Texas Weekly
12:30-1:30 pm	Luncheon <i>The Honorable David Dewhurst</i> , Lieutenant Governor of Texas
	Program Concludes