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ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES ON STATE AND LOCAL TAXES PRELIMINARY AGENDA

An interactive seminar targeted to legislators in the New England states.

Sunday, May 5, 2019

Benedetto, 1 Bennett Street, Cambridge, MA (in the Charles Hotel)

6:30-8:30 p.m. Reception and dinner for participants and faculty

- *William Glasgall*, Senior Vice President and Director, State and Local Initiatives, The Volcker Alliance, “Truth and Integrity in State Budgeting: Preventing the Next Fiscal Crisis”

Monday, May 6, 2019

Lincoln House, 113 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA

8:00 - 8:45 a.m. Sign-in and continental breakfast

8:45 – 9:00 a.m. Introduction

- *Joan Youngman*, Senior Fellow and Chair, Department of Valuation and Taxation, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- *Jeffrey P. Thompson*, Director, Senior Economist & Policy Advisor, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
- **Moderator for the Day:** *Daphne A. Kenyon*, Resident Fellow in Tax Policy, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Setting the Stage: New England Economic Outlook and Demographic Change

- *Jeffrey P. Thompson*, Director, Senior Economist & Policy Advisor, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, “New England Economic Update”
- *Peter Nelson*, Professor of Geography, Middlebury College, “Patterns of Demographic Change Across New England”

- 10:00 – 10:15 a.m.** *Break*
- 10:15 – 11:15 p.m.** **The National Framework for State and Local Taxes: TCJA and Wayfair**
- *Sally Wallace*, Dean, Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Georgia State University, “*Wayfair: The Way Forward*”
 - *Steven Sheffrin*, Executive Director, Murphy Institute of Political Economy, “The Intended and Unintended Consequences of TCJA on the States”
- 11:15 – 11:30 a.m.** *Break*
- 11:30 – 12:30 p.m.** **Challenges and Solutions in Education**
- *Bo Zhao*, Senior Economist, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, “Consequences of State Disinvestment in Public Higher Education: Lessons for the New England States”
 - *Emily Parker*, Policy Analyst, Education Commission of the States, “Funding K-12 Education: State Experiences in Strengthening School Funding Formulas”
- 12:30 – 1:15 p.m.** *Lunch*
- 1:15 – 2:15 p.m.** **Economic Development Issues**
- *Graham Campbell*, Fiscal Analyst, Vermont Legislative Joint Fiscal Office, “Tax Increment Finance in Vermont: Lessons for Other New England States”
 - *Alison Goebel*, Executive Director, Greater Ohio Policy Center, “Strategies for Post Industrial Success for America’s Smaller Legacy Cities”
- 2:15 – 2:30 p.m.** *Break*
- 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.** **Property Tax Issues**
- *Matthew Englander*, former Director of Tax Policy and Communication, City of Boston, “PILOTs (Payments in Lieu of Taxes): Managing the Relationship with Nonprofits”
 - *Adam Langley*, Associate Director, Department of Valuation & Taxation, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, “Property Tax Relief Options for State Governments”
- 3:30 p.m.** *Adjourn*