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Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement Report (RSA 15-B)



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Source of Honorarium or Expense Reimbursement:

Name of source: _____ RECEIVED

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Occupation: _____ FEB 08 2007

Principal Place of Business: _____ NEW HAMPSHIRE

If source is a Corporation or other Entity:

Name of Corporation or Entity: LINCOLN INSTITUTE FOR LAND POLICY

Name of Corporate/Entity Representative: DAPHNE KENYON

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Value of Honorarium: \$308 Date Received: _____ If exact value is unknown, provide an estimate of the value of the gift or honorarium and identify the value as an estimate.

Value of Expense Reimbursement: \$308 Date Received: 1/19/07 A copy of the agenda or an equivalent document must be attached to this filing.

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ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES ON STATE AND LOCAL TAXES

January 19, 2007

ALL SPEAKERS ARE CONFIRMED

A small, interactive seminar targeted to legislators and think tank executives in the New England states.

Thursday, January 18, 2007

Harvard Faculty Club

6:30-8:00 p.m. Reception and Dinner for participants and faculty

Friday, January 19, 2007

Lincoln House, 113 Brattle Street, Cambridge, MA

8:00 - 8:30 a.m. Sign-in and Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 8:45 Introduction

- *Joan Youngman*, Senior Fellow and Chairman, Department of Valuation and Taxation, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- *Robert Tannenwald*, Director, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston
- **Moderator for the Day:** *Daphne A. Kenyon*, Visiting Fellow, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

8:45 – 10:00 a.m. Cooperating to Make New England More Competitive

The New England Futures Project has examined the competitiveness of the New England region and concluded that New England states must connect or cooperate to become more competitive. The Project concludes that New England has been falling behind in its investment in transportation infrastructure and that fragmented government and high reliance on property taxation make New England less competitive than other regions.

- *Neal Peirce*, New England Futures Project

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Break

10:15 – 12:00 p.m. Panel Discussion: The Latest Thinking on What Makes a State Competitive

How do New England states compare with each other and with states like North Carolina in the competition for business and population? How important are tax burdens and tax structure? Do high property taxes make New England less competitive? How important are non-tax factors such as economic development strategies and high quality universities?

- *Matt Murray*, Professor of Economics & Associate Director, Center for Business and Economic Research, University of Tennessee, “What Factors Make Your State Attractive to Families and Business”
- *Robert Tannenwald*, Director, New England Public Policy Center, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, “Measuring and Mis-measuring State Business Tax Climate”
- *Peter Enrich*, Professor, Northeastern University School of Law, “State Business Tax Incentives in the Wake of *Cuno v. DaimlerChrysler*”

12:00 – 12:45 p.m. Lunch

12:45 – 2:00 p.m. Tax and Expenditure Limits: Promises and Pitfalls

Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island currently operate under tax and expenditure limitations (TEs). A particular type of TEL, a Taxpayers’ Bill of Rights, was just defeated in November in Maine, and has been proposed by conservative think tanks in New Hampshire and Vermont. How are TELs designed? Is it possible to design an effective TEL? What are the pitfalls of a poorly designed TEL?

- *Darcy Rollins Saas/ Heather Brome*, New England Public Policy Center

2:00 – 2:15 p.m. Break

2:15 – 3:45 p.m. Providing Effective Property Tax Relief

New England relies more heavily on property taxes than any other part of the country. All states provide some type of property tax relief, but some relief measures are more effective than others. This session will guide legislators in designing property tax relief measures. It also discusses state experiences with assessment limitations or valuation limits.

- *Ronald Fisher*, Professor of Economics and Dean, Michigan State University “The Three Most Important Things to Know About Property Tax Relief”
- *Dan McMillen*, Professor of Economics, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Visiting Fellow, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, “What We Know About the Effects of Assessment Limits and Valuation Freezes”

3:45 p.m. Adjourn

INSTRUCTIONS AND CHECKLIST FOR PREPARATION OF CALENDAR “BLURBS”

It is very important for whoever is writing the blurb for the committee recommendation to do a thorough job in explaining the committee’s action and the reasons a particular recommendation is before the House. This checklist may be helpful in making sure the blurb is complete.

- The blurb clearly states the committee recommendation, vote and reason for the recommendation.

- The blurb clearly summarizes the content of the bill.

- The blurb clearly states the content and effect of any amendment(s).

- The blurb clearly states the goals the bill intends to achieve and/or the problem to be corrected.

- The blurb clearly states the purpose and amount of any required funding.

- Both the majority and minority committee report contain only one signature.

- The blurb is reviewed and initialed by the chairman.

The blurb is the best way to get the word out about the majority committee position and any facts presented in the blurb help answer members’ questions ahead of time. This is helpful not only to speed up the process, but also to alleviate floor fights, etc. Additionally the blurb becomes an important part of the legislative history of the bill.

