

AGENDA

Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians

September 8, 2010

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Venue: Cecil B. Day Hall, Mercer University's Graduate and Professional Campus, 3001 Mercer University Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30341

Council Members:

Bradford Dickson – Tarpley and Underwood

Roy Fickling – Fickling & Company

A.D. Frazier – Affiance LLC

Gerry Harkins - 2010 Chair, National Federation of Independent Business

Dr. Jeffrey Humphreys – University of Georgia

D.E. "Skeeter" McCorkle – McCorkle Nurseries

Governor Sonny Perdue

Dr. Christine Ries – Georgia Tech

Suzanne Sitherwood -2010 Chair, Georgia Chamber of Commerce

Dr. David Sjoquist – Georgia State University

Dr. Roger Tutterow – Mercer University

1:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Welcome & Introduction

- Chair – A.D. Frazier
- Today's Meeting Objectives

1:15 – 2:00 p.m.

Presentation: Matt Gardner, Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy

- Tax Lessons from Neighboring States and Others
- Q&A with Tax Council

2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Presentation: Alan Essig, Georgia Budget & Policy Institute and Kelly McCutchen, Georgia Public Policy Foundation

- A Fair and Equitable Tax System for a Progressive State
- Q&A with Tax Council

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Presentation: Jim Eads, Federation of Tax Administrators

- State Business Taxes & Sales Taxes on Services
- Q&A with Tax Council

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Panel Discussion: Joseph Crosby, COST; Mike Petrik, Tax Policy Committee of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce; John Masters, Georgia Society of CPAs; Nick Masino, Gwinnett Chamber of Commerce

- Discussion: What Tax System Would Ensure Georgia as a Pro-Growth State?

5:00 p.m.

Next Steps & Adjourn

- September 9 Fact Finding Session at Gainesville State College
 - Next Tax Council meeting – September 29
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