

MARYLAND COMMUNICATIONS TAX REFORM COMMISSION

Senator Nancy J. King
Delegate Carolyn J.B. Howard
Chairwomen

October 3, 2012 Minutes of Meeting

A meeting of the Communications Tax Reform Commission was held in the Assembly Room of the Louis L. Goldstein Treasury Building on October 3, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.

Commission members in attendance:

Senator Nancy J. King, Chair
Delegate Carolyn J.B. Howard, Chair

Delegate Talmadge Branch
Kathleen O'Brien Branch
Douglas E. Breisch
John F. Conwell
Senator James E. DeGrange, Sr.
Suellen M. Ferguson
Mitsuko R. Herrera
Laura Kittel
Gary S. Lindsey
Michael McLoughlin
Scott R. Mackey
Andrew Reinsdorf
David F. Roose
R. Wayne Strausburg
Karen Syrylo
James T. Tarlau
Raymond S. Wacks
Renee Manuel Savage
Andrew M. Schaufele
Linda I. Vasbinder

Commission members absent:

Art Jacoby
Morris Anthony Little
Odette T. Ramos

Welcome

Chairwoman Delegate J.B. Howard opened the meeting at 2:05 p.m. by welcoming all members.

Each member introduced themselves.

The Charge of the Commission was read.

Overview of Maryland Communications Tax Structure

Andrew M. Schaufele, Bureau of Revenue Estimates Assistant Director and David Van Remoortere, Bureau of Revenue Estimates, Revenue Policy Analyst, gave an overview on Maryland's communications tax structure.

- Public Service Company Franchise Tax
- Local Property Tax
- Sales and Use Tax
- Income Tax
- 9-1-1 Emergency Trust Fund Surcharge
- Universal Relay Service Surcharge
- Boxing and Wrestling Tax
- Local Governments

Discussion of Proposed Schedule

Commission members discussed upcoming meeting dates as well as changing the time to 1:00 p.m. instead of 2:00 p.m. The upcoming meeting dates will be Wednesday, November 7th and Wednesday, December 5th.

The meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

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