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## **Senate Colleagues Back Runner for BOE**

*Senators Aanestad, Dutton and Strickland join growing list of supporters*

SACRAMENTO—Today, Senator and Taxpayer Advocate George Runner announced the endorsement of Republican State Senators Sam Aanestad, Bob Dutton and Tony Strickland in his campaign for Board of Equalization. These endorsements mark the latest in a growing list of supporters from every corner of the district.

“George Runner’s record of fighting taxes and strengthening businesses is just what Californians want in their next Board of Equalization Member,” said Senator Tony Strickland. “California taxpayers have a friend in George Runner.”

Senator Runner is running for BOE District 2, the largest of 4 districts that comprise California’s statewide tax board. The district encompasses all or portions of 37 Counties that span from the California-Oregon border to San Bernardino County.

“I am honored to have the support of my Senate colleagues at the beginning of this campaign,” said Runner. “Families and businesses are already feeling squeezed by tough economic times, and the last thing they need are the burdensome taxes and regulations coming out of Sacramento. I look forward to discussing these issues with taxpayers from all around the state as the campaign moves forward.”

George Runner currently represents a large southern portion of BOE District 2 in the State Senate. He is well known statewide for his work in implementing the successful Amber Alert system and passing Jessica’s Law in 2006. He resides in Lancaster with his wife, former Assemblywoman Sharon Runner.

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