

# What FTA Can Do For You

## Services for State Tax Administrators



## Agenda/Overview

- Who is FTA?
- What do we do for states?
- Communication tools (FTA's Website and E-Lists)
- News just for YOU (FTA's Newsletters)
- FTA's Events for State Tax Administrators
- Current Training Opportunities



## Background (Who is FTA?)

## FTA Mission: Improve Tax Administration





# What does FTA do for States?

- FTA staff include subject matter experts in areas of agency work.
- Facilitate National Exchange programs to improve communication among states.
- Oversee development of Standards.
- Research and offer training on new topics, state successes, and methodologies/tools for success.
- Offer information to all FTA members via our website, interactive training, and in-person national and regional meetings.



- Public and State-Only Information
- State-only content available to all staff of FTA Member Agencies (just email support@taxadmin.org)
- More than .5MM visitors annually
- Information updated by FTA staff regularly





## **TaxAdmin.org Information**

- Meeting Calendar
- Taxpayer and Preparer information
  - State Contact Lists
  - Sales Tax Holidays
  - Tax Amnesties
  - News Releases

- Organizational Information
  - FTA Bylaws
  - Board of Trustees
  - Member Listing
- IRS/Federal Information



## **TaxAdmin.org Information**

- Conference Presentations
- Research Papers/Statistics
- FTA Legal Database
- Uniform Exchange of Information Agreement and Contacts

- Information from other FTA Programs
  - Audit and Compliance
  - Technology and E-Standards
  - Efile
  - Federal Legislation
  - Fraud
  - Motor Fuel Section
  - Tobacco Tax Section



# **E-Lists (formerly Listservs)**

- Public
  - State ACH Updates
  - Motor Fuel
  - E-Standards
- Private/State-Only
  - Audit
  - Aviation
  - Collections
  - Communications
  - Efile

- Energy Producing States
- Executive\*
- IRS Extract
- Legal
- Research\*
- Safeguards
- Suspicious Filer Exchange (SFE)\*
- Taxpayer Assistance
- Technology
- Tobacco Tax\*

\*Requires approval to join



## **Directory of State Tax Administrators**

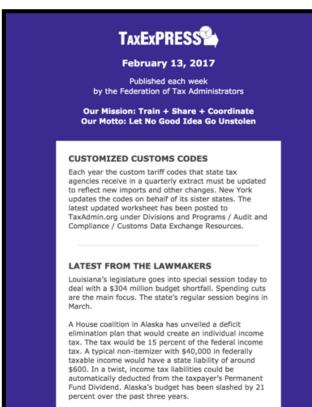
- Print (Annual) and Digital (Monthly)
- Free for State and City TaxAdmin.org Users
- Contains key agency contacts
- Available at: <u>www.taxadmin.org/directory</u>
- Send updates to: <u>directory@taxadmin.org</u>

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## Newsletters

- TaxExPRESS
  - Weekly news digest
- State Tax Highlights (STH)
  - Biweekly legal issues newsletter
- By The Numbers (BTN)
  - Monthly economic/revenue newsletter



Louisiana's Task Force on Structural Changes in Budget and Tax wants to lower the sales tax rate from 5 to 4



# **Information Sharing Tools**

- FTA State Exchange System (for Efile Schemas and Forms)
- NEW FTA Data Exchange Pilots. Contact Ryan or Terri at <u>ryan.minnick@taxadmin.org</u> or <u>terri.steenblock@taxadmin.org</u> for more information and to participate in a upcoming pilot.



## FTA's Events for State Tax Administrators

- Seven National Annual Events (2019/2020 Dates)
  - Motor Fuel Annual Meeting (September 15-18, 2019 in Louisville)
  - Revenue Estimation and Tax Research Conference (September 21-25, 2019 in New Orleans, LA)
  - Compliance Workshop (February 23-26, 2020 in San Diego, CA)
  - Efile + Refund Protection Symposium (May 4-7, 2020 in Minneapolis, MN)
  - Annual Meeting (June 14-17, 2020 in Providence, RI)
  - Technology Conference (August 9-12, 2020 in Portland, OR)
  - Tobacco Tax Annual Meeting



## FTA's Events for State Tax Administrators

- Three Regional Annual Events (2019/2020 Dates)
  - NESTOA (North Eastern States) (September 8-11, 2019 in Providence, RI)
  - WSATA (Western States) (October 27-30, 2019 in Eugene, OR)
  - MSATA (Midwestern States) (August 23-26 in Omaha, NE)
- More than 16 other special regional, training, or standards development events annually.



# **Regular Sharing Calls**

- Contact <u>support@taxadmin.org</u> to be added to one of the below calls.
- Standing Webinars and Calls (as of 2019):
  - Suspicious Filer/Fraud Webinar (Weekly during filing season, otherwise Monthly)
  - State-Only Efile Webinar/Call (Monthly)
  - State and Software Industry Efile Call (Monthly)
  - State-Only Safeguards Call (Monthly)
  - State and IRS Safeguards Call (Monthly)
  - Compliance Sharing Calls (Audit and Collections)



## **Useful Links/Addresses**

- Account request and support: <u>support@taxadmin.org</u>
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