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TOPIC: State Controller's Property Tax Postponement Program

On September 28, 2014, the Governor signed AB 2231 (Chapter 703, Statutes of 2014), which reinstates the State Controller's Property Tax Postponement Program with some modifications. This program will allow senior, blind, and disabled citizens with an annual household income of \$35,500 or less and 40% equity in their homes to apply to defer payment of property taxes on their principal residence. Applications may be filed with the State Controller's Office beginning October 1, 2016. Applications will not be accepted prior to October 1, 2016. More details on how to apply will be available by September 2016.

For a quick reference, please view/download the Property Tax Postponement Flyer .

Please refer to the Frequently Asked Questions for further program information, call toll free, 1-800-952-5661 or email postponement@sco.ca.gov

Program History and Suspension

In February 2009, the State Legislature suspended the State Controller's Property Tax Postponement Program. Since that time, the Controller's Office worked with the Legislature to restore the program or find alternative ways to assist senior, blind, and disabled homeowners with their property taxes. In 2014, a modified version of the Program was reinstated.

Prior to that, on September 30, 2011, the Governor signed AB 1090 (Chapter 369, Statutes of 2011), which allows each county, if it wishes, to implement a property tax postponement program for properties located within the county. The voluntary county-run property tax postponement program became effective January 1, 2012.

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