



2017 Utah Taxes Now Conference

Federal and State Tax Reform Priorities

39th Annual Conference on Taxes & Spending

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Thursday, May 18, 2017 – 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Grand America Hotel, 555 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah

Moderated by Association Vice President Billy Hesterman

and Association Research Analyst Spencer Nitz



7:30	Registration/Continental breakfast	10:20	Break
8:00	Welcome Mike Edmonds, Chairman, Utah Taxpayers Association	10:30	Report from the Tax Commission Chairman John Valentine, Utah State Tax Commission
8:05	Course Correction: A Vision and Action Plan for Utah's Future Prosperity Kristen Cox, Governor's Office of Management and Budget	10:45	Best Economic Outlook: Utah's Decade of Dominance Jonathan Williams, American Legislative Exchange Council
8:20	Reforming Utah's Tax Structure: How Should the Legislature Act? House Speaker Greg Hughes Senator Howard Stephenson Representative Steve Eliason	10:55	Has Truth-in-Taxation Worked Too Well? Fee Increases at the City Level Representative Jefferson Moss Roger Tew, Utah League of Cities and Towns
	Stabilizing Utah's General Fund Representative Robert Spendlove Senator Curt Bramble	11:15	Remarks from Utah's Governor Governor Gary Herbert
	Utah's Need to End Double Taxation on Business Inputs TBA	11:30	Building Trust in Utah's Taxation Laws (SB 94 - Special Service District Taxation Reform, SB 150 – Placing Full Cost of Bonds First on the Ballot) Senator Deidre Henderson Senator Lincoln Fillmore
	What Will the Impact of Tax Reform be on Utah's Families and Businesses? Senate Pres. Wayne Niederhauser	11:45	A Solution Looking for a Problem: How Should Special Purpose Properties be Valued? (SB 43 – Special Purpose Property Assessment Amendments) John Ulibarri, Weber County Assessor TBA
9:40	Building for Utah's Increasing Population (SB 276 – Gas Tax Increase, SB 277 – Highway Bonding) Carlos Braceras, Executive Director, UDOT	12:00	Luncheon: Grand Ballroom/Awards Recognition of 2017 <i>Friend of the Taxpayer</i> award winners Luncheon Keynote Speaker: "The Ins and Outs of Federal Tax Reform" Chris Campbell, Majority Staff Director, U.S. Senate Finance Committee Christopher Hanna, Senate Finance Committee
9:50	Education funding: What Should Utah's Goals Be to Make Sure Every Student Succeeds? (SB 80 Student Funding Equalization, SB 255 Freezing the State-wide Property Tax Levy) Senator Lincoln Fillmore Representative Dan McCay Representative Brian King		

