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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Assembly Offices

FROM: Autumn R. Burke, Chairwoman
Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation

DATE: March 18, 2021

RE: Individual Tax Filing Deadline Extension

On Wednesday, March 17, 2021, the U.S. Treasury Department and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) announced that the federal income tax filing due date for individuals will be automatically extended from April 15, 2021, to May 17, 2021. In response to the federal extension, California also extended the state's tax filing and payment deadline for individuals to May 17, 2021. However, both the federal and state extensions do not apply to estimated tax payments due on April 15, 2021.

The extension will provide taxpayers with additional time and flexibility to prepare and file tax returns during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The extension also eliminates unnecessary stress for taxpayers by giving them an extra month to navigate through this incredibly complicated tax season. And, although the extension is available to every person, the IRS is urging taxpayers to consider filing as soon as possible, especially those who are owed refunds. Filing electronically with direct deposit is the quickest way of receiving a refund, and it may also help taxpayers receive any remaining stimulus payments they may be entitled to.

If you have any questions regarding the filing deadline, please give our office a call at (916) 319-2098.

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