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HSBA TAX SECTION MEETING
Joint Meeting with the HSCPA Tax Committee

TOPIC: **Legislative Presentation of the Department of Taxation's 2009
Administrative Tax Proposals** (please see attachment)

SPEAKERS: **Johnnel L. Nakamura, Esq., Joseph B. Tichy, Esq., Jodene K. Arakaki, Esq.**

DATE: Thursday, January 15, 2009

TIME: Noon to 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Cades Schutte
12th Floor Large Conference Room
1000 Bishop Street
(no parking validation)

COST: Free for HSBA Tax Section Members
Lunch will be served promptly at 11:45 a.m.

RSVP: Please RSVP to: receptionist@cades.com or 521-9200 by *Wed., January 14.*

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Legislative Presentation of the Department of Taxation's 2009 Administrative Tax Proposals

Please join us for an afternoon of open dialogue and discussion regarding the Hawaii Department of Taxation's administrative tax proposals for the 2009 legislative session.

The Department is very interested in working collaboratively with tax practitioners and taxpayer advocates on certain legislative proposals being considered that directly impact practitioners and their clients. In the interest of overall efficient and effective tax policy, obtaining the input from practitioners will be very helpful to government administrators as they develop the final proposals for submission after the State-of-the-State address January 26th. Some of the topics to be discussed include:

- Conforming to recent tax law changes to the Internal Revenue Code from 2008;**
- Conforming to federal enforcement provisions;**
- Flexibility with adopting administrative rules; and**
- Other efforts the Department is considering proposing in light of the current budget projections.**

The opportunity will also be available for practitioners to present any legislative issues or requests for the section to consider from the private practice perspective.

Lastly, the Tax Section will consider whether members are interested in convening an ad hoc "legislative committee" that would review tax proposals heard by the Legislature and provide the Tax Section's comments representing the interests of the Bar and our accounting counterparts.

NOTE: Copies of the Department's draft legislative proposals will be emailed to you prior to the meeting. Copies will also be available at the meeting.