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The Oregon Board of Tax Practitioners is seeking new board members. We are currently short two members for our board and will be losing two more board members by the May, 2016 meeting. This is your opportunity to make your voice heard!

The Tax Board Mission Statement is: The Board of Tax Practitioners protects consumers by ensuring Oregon tax professionals are competent and ethical in their professional activities.

Interested individuals can get more information at www.governor.oregon.gov. Download the "[Membership Handbook for Boards and Commissions](#)" under "Executive Appointments".

Potential candidates should understand the time commitment before applying. An effective board member should attend and prepare for all board meetings. The OBTP meets five times annually with an occasional phone conference call. Board members also write articles for the Board Newsletter semi-annually. The board website has information on meetings at www.oregon.gov/OBTP.

The Oregon State Board of Tax Practitioners has been going strong since 1973. Oregon is the first state with a comprehensive licensing and regulation program for tax professionals that are not CPAs or Attorneys. The OBTP is a seven member board appointed by the Governor. Members are appointed to staggered three year terms. Six board members must be Licensed Tax Consultants with a minimum five years' experience. One board member is from the general public, unaffiliated with the profession.

Some of the ongoing and upcoming issues that the tax board will be addressing are;

- Decreased Licensure, increased Oregon population and attracting new licensees
- Biennial budget and licensee fees
- Office administration and keeping up with changing technology
- Recommendations and changes to the Oregon Administrative Rules
- Criminal investigations, compliance and non-compliance issues
- Exams and education
- Computerized testing, data base management and keeping up with technology
- National licensing, PTIN requirements and changes at the IRS

Don't hesitate to contact the Tax Board office if you have any questions @ 503-378-4034

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