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Department Creates New Listserv to Keep Taxpayers Informed

OLYMPIA – Nov. 30, 2011 – The Department of Revenue has created a new [General Information listserv](#) to make it easier for taxpayers to stay informed.

The listserv will alert subscribers to new legislation, revisions to tax law, rate changes, and any Department programs that may impact their businesses.

The Department also maintains listservs on specialized topics, but this is the first time they've created one to cover a variety of issues.

In Washington State, taxpayers are responsible for knowing their reporting obligations. The Department has assisted them by sending information to taxpayers as changes occur. However, due to recent budget cuts the Department of Revenue is unable to send many of the informational mailings that they previously sent to taxpayers.

"We are going to be very judicious in our use of this listserv," said Janet Shimabukuro, assistant director of the Department's taxpayer services division. "We want to inform taxpayers of matters that may affect their companies. We don't want to overload them with information they don't need."

Business owners are encouraged to go online to dor.wa.gov/listserv, enter their name and email address, select the button for "Join" next the General Information, then click submit.

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