

Fire fee to be topic of teleconference

George Runner will host a teleconference townhall on May 7 at 6pm regarding the confusing and controversial fire prevention fee.

The tele-townhall is co-sponsored by state Sen. Ted Gaines and Assemblymembers Frank Bigelow and Beth Gaines and is part of a series of regional townhalls Board of Equalization Member Runner is having for taxpayers in his district.

Taxpayers in Alpine, Amador, Calaveras and El Dorado counties are specifically invited to participate in the May 7 teleconference event, but others are welcome to join the call as well.

During the call, Runner and other participating elected officials will discuss the latest fire "fee" news, including the lawsuit and pending legislation, and answer questions from callers.

Those who would like to participate must register by May 6 by calling (916) 445.3032.

Taxpayers who pre-register will receive a telephone call at the start of the event inviting them to connect to the townhall.