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CLSA Education Foundation Awards Nearly \$50,000 in Scholarships

The CLSA Education Foundation Board of Directors has awarded nearly \$50,000 in scholarships to deserving surveying students in California. Winners will be notified soon and will receive their checks at the CSU Fresno Conference, the CLSA Conference, at a local CLSA Chapter meeting or in the mail. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to the generous donors who make the scholarships possible!



Another Tax on Services Effort Expected in California

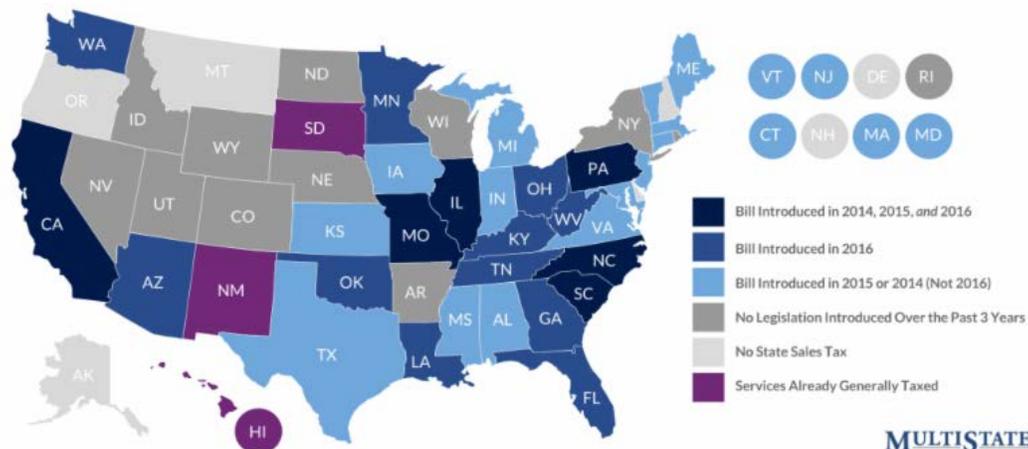
Reported in [*MultiState Insider*](#)

Tax on services (TOS) proposals have become increasingly prevalent in state legislatures across the country over the last few years, and 2017 will be no exception. As of January 2017, TOS proposals could emerge and be seriously debated in 16 states during upcoming state sessions. These predictions are driven by four factors:

1. Deteriorating budget pictures in many states and a desire for new revenue sources;
2. Changing politics post-election;
3. A gradual shift in policy perceptions, with the desire to move away from income taxation and toward consumption taxation; and
4. States' past interest in TOS proposals and top lawmakers' recent statements indicating that TOS is on the table.

In California, former Speaker and Senator Robert Hertzberg (D) has been advocating for a broader sales tax for several years, and his voice carries considerable weight. A TOS bill has been introduced every year for the past three years.

Tax on Services | Which States Have Seen the Most Action in Recent Years?





2017 CLSA Publications Ready to Ship

The CLSA Statute Books and publications have been updated for 2017 and are available for preorder today. These publications are produced annually as a service to the members of CLSA and remain available to non-members at higher, non-member prices. The CLSA Statute Books feature 28 revisions that account for legislation passed in 2016. Each Statute Book includes section titles and indexing providing ease of reference and convenience to the reader. Changes enacted during the 2016 legislative session are noted in italics, making new laws clear for the practitioner.

It is vital that surveyors and related professionals practice in compliance with the latest laws governing the profession. The 2017 Statute Publications will begin shipping in early January on a first placed, first shipped basis. Click below to order your 2017 CLSA Statute Books today!

[Order Here](#)

New BPELSG Senior Registrar: Land Surveyor Dallas Sweeney

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The Board is pleased to announce a new Senior Registrar-professional land surveyor on staff: Dallas Sweeney. Dallas comes to the Board with more than 32 years' experience in the land surveying industry. Dallas is a Past President of SAGE (Surveyors, Architects, Geologists, and Engineers of El Dorado County) and was the owner/operator of Sweeney Land Surveying before joining the Board.

You can learn more about Dallas and read the full BPELSG Bulletin by [clicking here](#).





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2017 CLSA Member Cards: Did you get yours?

Your 2017 CLSA Member Card and dues renewal should have arrived in your mailbox by now. Didn't get your card yet? Please [click here](#) and email us your current mailing address and we'll get a card out to you right away.

In Memoriam: CLSA Past President Billy Martin

We are saddened to report the passing of CLSA Past President (1995) Billy Martin. President Martin, 62, of Oakland, CA, passed away on December 23, 2016 with his family at his side.

President Martin was born May 18, 1954 in Fort Hood, Texas, the son of Floyd and Mitsue Martin. He graduated from Clovis High School and continued on to graduate from California State University, Fresno. He taught surveying and engineering at UCSF, Stanford, and several other Bay Area State Universities; was a partner at BKF for 20 years; and most recently started Pacific Land Surveys and worked with RSE Engineering.



Services to celebrate Billy's life will be held at 1:00 p.m. January 15, 2017 at Piedmont Community Hall, 711 Highland Ave., Piedmont, CA.

A complete obituary can be viewed by [clicking here](#).



2017 CLSA Committee Registration

Much of the CLSA's activities are accomplished by its committees, making productive committees a vital part of the association's operations. The committees receive their assignments from the president and report to the Board of Directors. Standing Committees are committees with an indefinite life span charged with a continuous function necessary to the operation of the association. Special or Ad Hoc committees generally have a definite life span that terminates upon completion of the assigned task. Participation in CLSA committees is via appointment by the president of the association and concurrence from the

committee chair.

[Click here](#) to register your interest in serving on a 2017 CLSA committee.

CLSA Event Calendar

January 11, 2017 at 5:30 PM

[CLSA East Bay Chapter Meeting](#)

January 17, 2017 at 5:30 PM

[CLSA Central Coast Chapter Meeting](#)

January 18, 2017 at 11:00 AM

[CLSA Webinar: GIS for Surveyors](#)

January 18, 2017 at 5:30 PM

[CLSA San Diego Chapter Meeting](#)

January 20, 2017 at 6:00 PM

[CLSA Channel Islands Chapter Meeting](#)

February 4, 2017 at 9:30 AM

[CLSA Board of Directors Meeting](#)

February 8, 2017 at 11:00 AM

[CLSA Webinar: Navigating the Legal Maze of Drones](#)

March 24 - 28, 2017

[2017 CLSA Annual Conference](#)

April 12, 2017 at 11:00 AM

[CLSA Webinar: Subsidence for Surveyors](#)

Ongoing

[CLSA Chapter LS Review Classes](#)

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