



## **California Board of Equalization increases sales tax rates 1% statewide – eFileSalesTax.com ready for this change**

**NEWBURY PARK, Calif. – (July 27, 2009)** – On April 1, 2009, the California Board of Equalization introduced a statewide 1% sales tax rate increase.

As a result, fiscal yearly filers will need to use a special sales tax form (401-ASR ‘Split Rate’ form) for the filing period ending 6-30-09. This new form allows taxpayers to separate their sales into two columns:

1. One column is for sales before 4-1-09
2. The second column is for sales on or after 4-1-09

eFileSalesTax.com has updated its system for this new sales tax rate change, and if you are a fiscal yearly filer, the eFileSalesTax.com system will automatically load this new “Split Rate” form.

Note: Fiscal yearly filers will be required to use this form for this period only, and next year they can go back to the 401-EZ or 401-A forms (unless the state decides to change the sales tax rate again in the next year).

In addition, taxpayers who used to use Schedule T to report partial exemptions will start using this new 401-ASR Split Rate form, which replaces Schedule T.

As for quarterly and monthly sales tax filers, you will not need to use this “Split Rate” form. Just remember to update to the new rates in your accounting, POS, and other systems, so you charge the correct tax to your clients.

We would like to encourage everyone to regularly use efilesalestax.com because this will give you the opportunity to check and make sure that you are using the right rates.

Remember, you must file a sales tax return even if you have no sales to report.

Another important step to take immediately is to set up an email or text reminder for yourself, or for your clients, in the efileSalesTax.com system. That way you'll never forget when the next filing is due.

For more information or a demo, contact Ramon Rochin at (877) 584-2309 or visit [www.eforeSalesTax.com](http://www.eforeSalesTax.com).

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