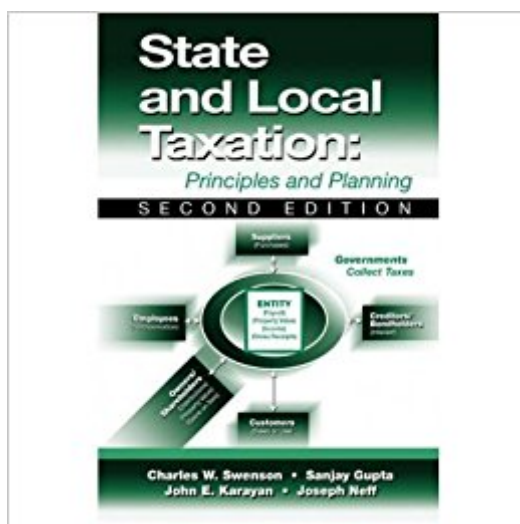


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State And Local Taxation: Principles And Planning



Synopsis

Written by a team of CPAs, professors, and tax lawyers with over 100 years of combined experience, *State and Local Taxation: Principles and Planning* helps you understand important tax issues of today's global business environment. The authors draw upon numerous real-life examples to identify and explain the fundamental principles of state and local taxation and how to incorporate these principles into strategic business planning.

Key Features

- Shows how to identify state and local tax issues and spot challenges and opportunities as they arise
- Introduces the principles of multi-state taxation, and provides an understanding of their effect on business operations
- Explores the role of state and local tax issues in a strategic business environment and discusses taxation from a strategic planning perspective
- Explains the economic implications of management decisions involving the application of tax laws
- Presents an overview of major state and local taxes including: income tax, sales tax, property tax, and employment taxes

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While the book is written well and is a good complement to a more extensive study of state and local taxation, it is in dire need of an update. Taxation is an ever-evolving concept and this book has not been updated in more than a decade.

This is a great textbook for a State and Local taxation course. It cover every important aspect of state and local tax. The information is presented in a logical order and flows very well. The information in the tex is very clear and concise. The books makes a complicated subject easy to understand and I recommend it to anyone who has an interest in the subject.

This is a great book for beginners as it clearly defines a number of terms and concepts; however, a number of items are out of date in this version.

As a state and local tax professional, I purchased a copy of this text to use for "in-house" training at my company. Seeing that the "Second Edition" was published this year (2004), I assumed it would be a relatively accurate text. However, in reviewing Chapter 3 ("Corporate Income/Franchise Taxes" - my area of specialization), I was dismayed to find that most of the information has not been updated for current law. As examples, the table on apportionment factor weighting hasn't been updated for changes since 1999, and the discussion of state differences in depreciation fails to address the dramatic changes that have occurred due to 2002 and 2003 federal legislation. While the authors do present some good materials on the basics of state and local taxation, and address many of the issues that can arise, their release of a "Second Edition" that is woefully out-of-date seriously detracts from its utility in a learning environment.

Now in its second edition, State And Local Taxation: Principles And Planning is the authoritative and collaborative effort of tax experts Charles W. Swenson, Sanjay Gupta, John E. Karayan, and

Joseph Neff. This outstanding informational resource is meant to be used as a professional reference or a college curriculum text. Covering tax code, hazards, loopholes, and regulations as imposed by governments (especially pertaining to cross-border transactions), State And Local Taxation is meticulously detailed and spells out the facts, principles, and requirements for both students of Economics and non-specialist general readers seeking to expertly flesh out their knowledge base with respect to all aspects of governmental taxation.

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