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The Honorable Malia M. Cohen, State Controller  
Chair, Franchise Tax Board  
300 Capitol Mall, Suite 1850  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Chairwoman Cohen:

The Internal Revenue Service has recently announced that California taxpayers affected by the severe winter storms and who reside or have a business in a declared disaster area now have until October 16, 2023, to file their federal tax returns and pay their taxes.

Allowing more time for individuals and businesses recovering from these storms to file their tax returns and pay their taxes will provide much needed relief and we urge the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) to take similar action.

The FTB previously provided relief by extending the filing and payment deadlines for these individuals and businesses in California until May 15, 2023. We respectfully request that the FTB act again to extend the filing deadline to October 16, 2023.

Not only will this benefit taxpayers, but conforming to the federal filing deadline will avoid any confusion among taxpayers on when to file their state and federal tax returns.

We ask that you take immediate action to provide this relief and support taxpayers who are working to get back on their feet after these devastating storms.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Roger Niello in black ink.

Roger Niello  
Vice Chair, Senate Budget Committee  
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Handwritten signature of Brian W. Jones in blue ink.

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