

## Financing Local Government in the 21st Century Program Materials and Recommended Reading

### "The Changing Balance of State/Local Fiscal Power: Will They Ever Get it Right"

Suggested Reading:

- Information on "[The State-Local Fiscal Relationship in California: A Changing Balance of Power](#)" by Fred Silva and Elisa Barbour

### Restructuring the State/Local Fiscal Relationship

Suggested Reading:

- Information on [Proposition 1A : Protection of Local Government Revenues](#)
- Information on "[Changing the Order of Things: Six Proposals for Local Finance Reform](#)" by Fred Silva and Paul G. Lewis
- Information on "[Understanding California's Property Tax Roll: Regions, Property Types, and Sale Years](#)" by Tracy Gordon and Fred Silva
- [California Constitution Revision Commission Final Report and Recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature \(1996\)](#)

### The Search For Revenue

Suggested Reading:

- "[Revenue Sources Available to State and Local Governments](#)", from *Taxes and Other Revenue Sources Standing Behind Bonds and Notes* by M. David Gelfand
- [California Commercial Property Tax Study by the California Tax Reform Association](#)
- "Taxes, Fees, Assessments, Dues, and the 'Get What You Pay For' Model of Local Government," published in 56 Florida Law Review 374 (2004) by Laurie Reynolds. To read this article please go to [www.westlaw.com](http://www.westlaw.com)
- [Harper v. Virginia Department of Taxation, 509 U.S. 86 \(1993\)](#)