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GASB Update

Washington Public Port Association Finance Seminar

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GASB Pronouncements Effective for the Reporting Year 2016

- ❖ Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application
- Statement No. 73, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68
- ❖ Statement No. 76, *The Hierarchy of GAAP for Local Governments*
- **Statement No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures**
- Statement No. 78, Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
- Statement No. 79, Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participants

GASB Statement No. 77

Tax abatement:

A reduction in tax revenues that results from an agreement (does not have to be written) between one or more governments and an individual or entity in which (a) one or more governments promise to forgo tax revenues to which they are otherwise entitled, and (b) the individual or entity promises to take a specific action after the agreement has been entered into that contributes to economic development or otherwise benefits the governments or the citizens of those governments.

GASB Statement No. 77

Important elements:

- Purpose
- Revenue Reduction
- > Existence of agreement

Other features to consider:

- Timing
- Terminology
- Mechanisms



Upcoming GASB Pronouncements

- Statement No. 74, *Financial Reporting for OPEB Plans*. It is effective for 2017.
- Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for OPEB. It is effective for 2018.
- Statement No. 80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units*. It is effective for 2017.
- Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*. It is effective for 2017.
- ❖ Statement No. 82, *Pension Issues an amendment of GASB Statements No.* 67, *No.* 68, and *No.* 73. It is effective for 2017.
- Statement No. 83, Certain Asset Retirement Obligations. It is effective for 2019.
- **Statement No. 84**, *Fiduciary Activities*. It is effective for 2019.

Upcoming GASB Pronouncements

- ❖ Statement No. 85, *Omnibus 2017*. It is effective for 2018.
- Statement No. 86, *Certain Debt Extinguishment*. It is effective for 2018.

Current GASB Exposure Drafts, Invitation to Comments, etc.

- * Leases (possible Statement No. 87)
- ❖ Implementation Guides (OPEB plans, OPEB employer, Comprehensive)
- ❖ Financial Reporting Model Improvements Governmental Funds

