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Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission Explores Property Tax Issues *Board of Revision of Taxes Chairman faces off against Coalition for Fair Taxes*

- WHO:** Board of Revision of Taxes Chairman David Glancey;
Terry Gillen, Coalition for Fair Taxes;
Josh Vincent, President, Center for the Study of Economics;
Former Allentown Councilman Benjamin Howells; and
Kevin C. Gillen, Ph.D Student, Wharton School.
- WHAT:** Philadelphia Tax Reform Commission examines the impact of City property taxes and looks for tax relief solutions. Experts are expected to present arguments of support and opposition to current property tax assessment system and offer creative taxing alternatives such as the land-value taxation system.
- WHEN:** **Wednesday, April 16, 2003 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.**
- WHERE:** One Parkway, 1515 Arch Street (at 16th street), 18th floor, City Planning Historical Commission Room (18-029).
- WHY:** Philadelphia voters last November approved a ballot referendum creating the Tax Reform Commission. The Commission's purpose is to recommend ways that taxes can be reduced. It is currently studying all taxes and tax reform solutions for a final report to be presented to the Mayor and City Council on November 15, 2003.

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