

Discussion Topics for  
Task Force on Structural Change in  
Budget and Tax Policy

| Focus Areas   |  |                                  |
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| Taxes on Individuals and Businesses   | Personal Income Tax  | May 13                           |
|   | Exemptions, Deductions, and Tax Credits and Individual Income Tax                        | May 20                           |
|   | Sales and Use Tax  | May 27                           |
|   | Sales and Use Tax  | June 3                           |
| Combining Individual Income Tax and Sales and Use Tax: CHOICES                  | Sales Tax Exemptions for Competitive Reasons<br>How to Handle 60% of Revenues for State  | June 10                          |
| Business Taxes  | Corporate Income Tax   | June 10                          |
|   | Corporate Franchise Tax, Alternative Business Taxes especially Texas and Tennessee       | June 17                          |
| No Task Force Meetings on June 24 and July 1                                    |  |                                  |
| Excise Taxes on Specific Products or Services                                   | Fuel Taxes/Infrastructure, Other Excise Taxes (Tobacco, Liquor, Beer), and Gaming        | July 8                           |
| Tax on Oil and Gas in Louisiana and Use of these taxes                          | Severance and Mineral and Appropriate Use of Mineral Revenues                            | July 8                           |
| Local Governments   | Local Support by State Government  | July 15 and July 22              |
|   | Property Tax, Major Source of Local Revenue  |                                  |
|   | Local Sales Tax  |                                  |
| State Budget Issues with References to Spending and Long-term State Obligations | Dedications  | July 29, August 5, and August 12 |
|   | Retirement   |                                  |
|   | Fiscal Stabilization   |                                  |
|   | Other Expenditure Topics   |                                  |
| Final Recommendations   | Recommendations and Suggestions for Long-term Structural Change in Budget and Tax Policy | August 12 through August 26      |