



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
VERMONT TAX STRUCTURE COMMISSION

**Agenda**

Monday, January 13, 2020

1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Room 10, State House

- 1:00 P.M. Welcome – Bram Kleppner, Commissioner**
- Approval of minutes from 11/6/19 and 11/13/19
  - Review of agenda
  - Public comment and discussion of recent written feedback and survey responses
- 1:15 P.M. Work status update and timeline**  
Sean Sheehan, Staff Director, Tax Structure Commission
- 1:40 P.M. Presentation: The Herculean Task of Understanding Vermont’s Education Property Taxes**  
Douglas Farnham, Director of Policy, Outreach, and Legislative Affairs, Dept. of Taxes
- 2:10 P.M. Education finance data and review of models from Blue Ribbon Tax Structure Commission and other states**  
Sean Sheehan, Staff Director, Tax Structure Commission
- 2:35 P.M. A closer look at education income tax**
- **Fiscal and policy considerations**  
Mark Perrault, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Joint Fiscal Office
  - **Administrative and policy considerations**  
Jake Feldman, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Dept. of Taxes
  - **Proposals to address barriers**  
Paul Cillo, President, Public Assets Institute
- 3:35 P.M. Perspectives on education finance and the education property tax**  
Rep. Cynthia Browning
- 3:50 P.M. Commission Discussion**  
Bram Kleppner, Commissioner

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- 4:10 P.M.      Commission Budget Update**  
Catherine Benham - Associate Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office
  
- 4:20 P.M.      Next meeting date and agenda**  
Bram Kleppner, Commissioner
  
- 4:30 P.M.      Adjourn**