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Department of Revenue releases first video outlining the imbalance in Minnesota's tax system

ST. PAUL, Minn. – Using a video blackboard alive with chalk-like graphics, Minnesota Revenue Commissioner Myron Frans details in plain language why the state's tax system is unbalanced. This is the first in a series of videos titled "Talking Taxes with Myron." The series coincides with Gov. Mark Dayton's drive to reform the tax code in a way that simplifies it while promoting fairness and supporting economic growth.

Prominently featured in this video is Commissioner Frans' best-known prop: the three-legged stool. Each leg of the stool represents one of Minnesota's three main taxes, and is proportional in length to the percentage of state revenue each tax provides. The stool can no longer stand since the property tax leg has grown so much longer than the income tax and sales tax legs.

The video can be found at: <http://youtu.be/AR97CzBv624?hd=1>

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