

H&R Block to Take Weekly Pulse of American Taxpayers On Bush Tax Plan, Other Taxing Issues

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KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 16 /PRNewswire/ -- Is President's Bush's tax cut proposal a fair plan? Who do you think will benefit the most from President Bush's plan? Do you think America needs to revise its tax system? That is just a sample of the questions that H&R Block (NYSE: HRB) will ask online tax filers this year. Starting this weekend, and continuing until April 15, anyone visiting hrblock.com will have the opportunity to share their opinion on a variety of issues, including the President's tax cut proposal, by voting in a weekly informal poll. Results of each poll will be released every Monday morning.

This week's hrblock.com Quick Poll question is, "Do you think President Bush's tax cut plan is fair?"

In addition to a weekly question, hrblock.com is the place to find a detailed analysis of the President's proposal, developed by H&R Block's Tax Research department. Included in the analysis is a breakdown of exactly what groups of taxpayers will benefit most under the plan. Plus, downloadable graphics of different tax scenarios will also be available. You can find the information at <http://www.hrblock.com>.

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