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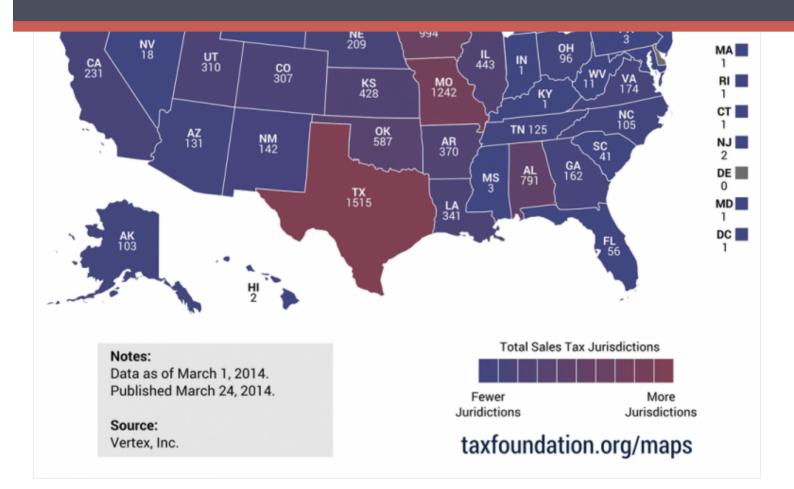
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State and local taxes are constantly changing. As the most trusted financial and business advisor to your clients, it's your job to keep up with them. At *CPA Practice Advisor*, we're here to help you – so here's a roundup of some of the latest changes.

Alabama is offering a Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday in February. This is the fourth annual event in Alabama wherein consumers are allowed to purchase certain severe weather preparedness supplies free of state sale or use tax. Retailers are required to participate. The tax-free holiday is February 20 through February 22, 2015.

Sample exempt items include batteries, cell phone chargers, battery-powered radios, two-way radios, self-powered light sources, plastic sheeting, duct tape, plywood and

other items specifically designed to protect window coverings, non-electric food and

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deals with higher taxes in order to fix our roads," said the group's treasurer, Paul Mitchell.

Online retailer Amazon.com will begin collecting **Illinois** sales tax starting in February, 2015. Amazon is building a distribution facility in Illinois that will open this year and that physical presence will create nexus in the state.

**Ohio** Governor John Kasich has include a sales tax increase in his 2015 budget proposal. The increase would raise state sales tax by half a cent and would be expected to raise \$1.5 billion per year for the state.

A bill is floating around the **New Hampshire** legislature that would permit state taxes and fees to be paid with bitcoin.

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