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Louisiana Budget Project gets new leader

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The 5-year-old Louisiana Budget Project, which provides independent research and analysis on the impact of state fiscal issues on low- and moderate-income families, is undergoing a change of the guard. Edward Ashworth, director of the project for the past two years, has announced his retirement and the appointment of his successor, Times-Picayune Capital Bureau reporter Jan Moller.

Moller, who has been with the newspaper's Baton Rouge bureau since March 2003, has covered the Legislature, state fiscal and budgetary matters, health care issues, higher education and political campaigns. Prior to his stint with The Times-Picayune, Moller was involved in co-writing with Jack Anderson the syndicated "Washington Merry-Go Round" and was assistant Washington bureau chief for Parade Magazine. Moller also worked for the Las Vegas Review Journal.

Moller's first day with the budget project will be Nov. 7. The Louisiana Budget Project began in 2006 by the Louisiana Association of Nonprofit Organizations with guidance from the Washington, D.C.-based Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. It is one of more than 40 state fiscal analysis initiatives that provide budget research and analysis on issues and their effects on low- and moderate-income families.

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