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Economist Ralph Martire to speak at the Kankakee Public Library

Ralph Martire, executive director of the Center for Tax and Budget Accountability (CTBA), will speak at the Kankakee Public Library on March 18th at 7pm. He will discuss his recent study, which examined the growing debt of the state's pension systems and why he believes the state needs to restructure its taxing system to meet the growth in the cost of state government.

Martire, in addition to his position at the CTBA, is also a regular columnist for the *Chicago Sun-Times*.

This program is sponsored by the Kankakee Public Library, the Kankakee Chapter of the NAACP, and the Kankakee Chamber of Commerce. It is free and open to the public.

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