

## MINUTES OF MEETING - COMMITTEE ON TAXATION - 56TH ASSEMBLY SESSION

January 28, 1971

PRESENT: Kean, Lingenfelter, Swallow, May, Smalley, Glaser, Smith

GUESTS: Barrett, Blyth, Knisley, Cunningham, Staley-AP Reporter

Chairman Kean convened the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

AB-45 - Omits certain domestic animals from the assessment rolls.

Mr. Cunningham stated certain species of animals are in such small numbers that the administrative costs of assessment exceed the revenues derived from this source. These are nuisance items and County Assessors would like to exclude them from assessment.

Mr. Smith suggested the reporting form could be changed to eliminate the reporting of each specie. Mr. Lingenfelter said many items were not reported and the assessors could use their discretion in eliminating the listing of these animals.

Mr. Knisley stated this was a housekeeping item and he did not think the Committee had constitutional authority to omit these animals.

Mr. Lingenfelter moved AB-45 be indefinitely postponed  
Mr. Swallow seconded; motion carried.

AB-67 & 53 - Authorizes board of county commissioners to levy tax on effluent of sewage or other pollutants.

Mr. Lingenfelter moved AB-67 and 53 be postponed indefinitely;  
Mr. Smith seconded; motion carried.

AB-50 - Increases county's share of real property transfer tax; eliminates affidavit requirement for deeds not going through escrow.

Mr. Cunningham stated they wanted to increase the county's share of the tax from 5% to 50%. It is a tax that costs the county more to collect than is received. It is a losing situation.

Mr. Kean appointed a committee of Assemblymen Lingenfelter and Smith to study the bill and report back to the Committee.

AB-57 - Requires county to sell delinquent patented mining claims.

Mr. Cunningham said at present there is a statute allowing one to work a claim with delinquent taxes for  $\frac{1}{2}$  of one years taxes. They would like the counties to see claims on the same basis as other property is sold for delinquent taxes. This is proposed by county treasurers.

Action on AB-57 indefinitely postponed.

AB-59 - increases special fuel tax.

In some counties with mining industry, county roads are used for mine traffic. The fuels used in vehicles is not subject to tax and the county receives no revenue yet has the expense of road upkeep.

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Action deferred on AB-59,

AB-86 and AB-87 pertaining to free port exemption on livestock referred to committee consisting of Assemblymen Lingenfelter, May and Smalley for research.

Mr. Barrett addressed the Committee on extending the sales tax to services. A study was made in 1968 based on a South Dakota 2% sales tax on services. This tax excludes medical and dental services.

Estimated revenue produced by broadening the  
Sales Tax Base in Nevada to include selected services

Type of Service	Percent of Total Sales Tax	Estimated Yield From Taxing Services In Nevada 1970-1971
Utilities	5.0%	\$1,678,150
Personal Services	1.7%	570,472
Business Services	.5%	167,815
Repair Services	1.4%	469,882
Transient Lodgings	6.3%	2,114,468
Professional Services	1.3%	436,319
	<u>16.2%</u>	<u>\$5,437,106</u>

If the last column were estimated at a 3% yield we would have approximately \$8,000,000 in lieu of \$5,437,106.

SPECIAL NOTE: Transient lodging being the high figure in the above estimate cannot be relied upon since the transient lodging is already being taxed under the Room Tax Law that now exists. It would therefore seem illogical to impose this tax on top of the existing room tax.

Meeting adjourned.

ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

Date JAN 29 Time 8 A.M. Room 240  
THURS

Bills or Resolutions  
to be considered

Subject

Testimony  
Counsel  
requested\*

AB-57

REQUIRES COUNTY TO SELL DELINQUENT

PATENTED MINING CLAIMS

CUNNINGHAM

AB-45

OMITS CERTAIN DOMESTIC ANIMALS FROM

THE ASSESSMENT ROLLS

CUNNINGHAM

OPEN DISCUSSION

REVIEW OF SEVERAL REVENUE SOURCES

BARRETT

\*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

HEARINGS PENDING

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