

MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON TAXATION

SIXTY-FIRST SESSION
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE
April 9, 1981

The Senate Committee on Taxation was called to order by Chairman Keith Ashworth, at 3:50 p.m., Thursday, April 9, 1981, in Room 131 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. There was no agenda or attendance roster.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Keith Ashworth, Chairman
Senator Norman D. Glaser, Vice Chairman
Senator Don Ashworth
Senator Virgil M. Getto
Senator James N. Kosinski
Senator William J. Raggio

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

Senator Floyd R. Lamb

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ed Shorr, Deputy Fiscal Analyst
Colleen Crum, Committee Secretary

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 430

Mr. Roy Nickson, Director of the Department of Taxation, outlined Assembly Bill No. 430. The bill delays the public hearings for the budgets from the third Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of April until the first Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of June. It requires submission of the final budget to the Tax Commission before June 10. He stated the language may be confusing but he did not anticipate any difficulties with the bill.

Senator Don Ashworth asked which budgets were being addressed in this bill. Mr. Nickson explained the budgets of the 197 local entities in the state were being addressed. He explained the Department of Taxation has received the tentative budgets from the local governments. The Department of Taxation is in the process of issuing a letter of compliance or non-compliance to the Governing Board, which is required three days

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prior to the public hearing. Those public hearings have been delayed for approximately two months.

The chairman explained the hearings have been delayed because the tax package, which affects the local governments' budgets, has not been finalized.

Senator Kosinski asked Mr. Nickson to explain the confusing portion of the bill. Mr. Nickson stated the language on page one, line 20 requires that the budgets be submitted to the Nevada Tax Commission on or before June 10. Page one, line 21 states the chairman of the County Commissioners Board shall convene the meeting no later than June 15 to establish the tax rate to be collected during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981 if the rate certified by the Nevada Tax Commission exceeds the applicable statutory limit. There is no provision in the bill for the Nevada Tax Commission to certify tax rates. Certification must be completed between June 10 and June 15 before the chairman of the County Commissioners Board is required to establish a meeting. The bill also provides little time for the review of the budgets.

The chairman asked Mr. Nickson to draw up an amendment to the bill. Mr. Nickson stated the bill must be acted upon immediately. He believed the amendment would delay the bill. He felt the local governments could be urged to submit their budgets as soon as possible. Some budgets could be submitted immediately after the first Tuesday of June. The Department of Taxation would complete its work on the budgets as rapidly as possible.

Mr. G. P. Etcheverry, representing the Nevada League of Cities, urged quick passage of the bill.

The chairman asked for consideration of Assembly Bill No. 430. (See Exhibit A.)

Senator Don Ashworth moved that Assembly Bill No. 430 be approved.

Senator Getto seconded the motion.

The motion carried. (Senator Lamb was absent for the vote.)

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at
4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Colleen Crum
Colleen Crum, Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Keith Ashworth
Senator Keith Ashworth, Chairman

DATE: 4-15-81

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A. B. 430

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 430—COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

APRIL 2, 1981

Referred to Committee on Taxation

SUMMARY—Provides schedule for budgets and property taxes in 1981. (BDR S-1959)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to governmental finance; providing a special schedule for the adoption of budgets and the collection of property taxes in the year 1981; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the changes made and con-
2 templated in the assessment and rate of property taxes and in the other
3 sources of revenue for the support of local government make it imprac-
4 ticable for budgets to be prepared and property taxes levied and col-
5 lected in the year 1981 according to the usual schedule prescribed by law.
6 Notwithstanding any contrary provision of chapter 354 or 361 of NRS,
7 the budgets of local governments must be prepared and adopted, and
8 property taxes must be levied and collected, at the times prescribed in
9 this act.
- 10 SEC. 2. 1. Hearings must be held upon tentative budgets for the fis-
11 cal year beginning July 1, 1981:
12 (a) For counties, on the 1st Thursday in June;
13 (b) For cities, on the 1st Tuesday in June;
14 (c) For school districts, on the 1st Wednesday in June; and
15 (d) For all other local governments, on the 1st Friday in June,
16 except that the board of county commissioners may consolidate the hear-
17 ing on all local government budgets administered by the board of county
18 commissioners with the county budget hearing.
- 19 2. The final budget for that fiscal year must be adopted and sub-
20 mitted to the Nevada tax commission on or before June 10.
- 21 SEC. 3. 1. The chairman of the board of county commissioners shall
22 convene the meeting to establish a combined tax rate to be collected dur-
23 ing the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981, if the rate first certified by the

EXHIBIT A

Assembly Bill No. 430 (cont'd)

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1 Nevada tax commission exceeds the applicable statutory limit, no later
2 than June 15, 1981.

3 2. If the combined rate is not established locally in any county, the
4 Nevada tax commission shall meet on June 29, 1981, to set it for all
5 such counties.

6 SEC. 4. The county auditor shall deliver the extended tax roll, for
7 taxes to be collected during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1981, to the
8 ex officio tax receiver no later than July 10, 1981.

9 SEC. 5. Taxes assessed upon the real property tax roll and upon
10 mobile homes which are to be collected during the fiscal year beginning
11 on July 1, 1981, are due on the 4th Monday of July, whether paid in full
12 or as the first of four quarterly installments.

13 SEC. 6. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.