

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2—  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

AUGUST 1, 2020

Referred to Committee of the Whole

**SUMMARY**—Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to revise provisions governing the rate of the tax upon the net proceeds of minerals extracted in this State. (BDR C-29)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Under the Nevada Constitution, the Legislature must impose a tax upon the net  
2 proceeds of minerals extracted in this State at a rate not to exceed 5 percent of the  
3 net proceeds. (Nev. Const. Art. 10, § 5) The Nevada Constitution also: (1) requires  
4 the Legislature to appropriate to each county an amount equal to the net proceeds of  
5 the minerals taxed in each taxing district in the county multiplied by the property  
6 tax rate imposed in that taxing district; and (2) requires the apportionment of that  
7 amount among the governmental units and districts in the county in the same  
8 proportion that property taxes are distributed among those governmental units and  
9 districts.

10 This resolution proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to: (1) increase  
11 from 5 to 12 percent the maximum rate of the tax on the net proceeds of minerals  
12 extracted in this State; and (2) establish the minimum rate of the tax on the net  
13 proceeds of minerals extracted in this State as the property tax rate imposed in the  
14 taxing district in which the extractive operation is located.

1 **RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE OF THE STATE OF**  
2 **NEVADA, JOINTLY, That Section 5 of Article 10 of the Nevada**  
3 **Constitution be amended to read as follows:**



1           Sec. 5. 1. The legislature shall provide by law for a  
2 tax upon the net proceeds of all minerals, including oil, gas  
3 and other hydrocarbons, extracted in this state, at a rate not  
4 *less than the rate of tax levied upon the assessed valuation*  
5 *of real property in the taxing district in which the extractive*  
6 *operation is located and not* to exceed ~~5~~ 12 percent of the  
7 net proceeds. No other tax may be imposed upon a mineral or  
8 its proceeds until the identity of the proceeds as such is lost.

9           2. The legislature shall appropriate to each county that  
10 sum which would be produced by levying a tax upon the  
11 entire amount of the net proceeds taxed in each taxing district  
12 in the county at the rate levied in that district upon the  
13 assessed valuation of real property. The total amount so  
14 appropriated to each county must be apportioned among the  
15 respective governmental units and districts within it,  
16 including the county itself and the school district, in the same  
17 proportion as they share in the total taxes collected on  
18 property according to value.

19           3. Each patented mine or mining claim must be assessed  
20 and taxed as other real property is assessed and taxed, except  
21 that no value may be attributed to any mineral known or  
22 believed to underlie it, and no value may be attributed to the  
23 surface of a mine or claim if one hundred dollars' worth of  
24 labor has been actually performed on the mine or claim  
25 during the year preceding the assessment.

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27 And be it further

28       RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon  
29 adoption.

