## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 400–ASSEMBLYWOMAN BENITEZ-THOMPSON

# MARCH 21, 2019

## Referred to Committee on Taxation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing economic development. (BDR 18-803)

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

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

AN ACT relating to tax abatements; prohibiting the Office of Economic Development from granting certain tax abatements to a person who has already received tax abatements; prohibiting the Office from approving certain abatements of the taxes imposed for the support of local schools; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

#### Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Under existing law, the Executive Director of the Office of Economic 2 Development is required to develop and periodically revise a State Plan for 3 Economic Development. Such a plan must not include provisions for the granting 4 of any abatement, partial abatement or exemption from taxes to certain persons who 5 are subject to certain taxes on the net proceeds of minerals or certain gaming 6 license fees. (NRS 231.053) **Section 1** of this bill also prohibits such a plan from 7 including provisions for the granting of any abatement or partial abatement to a 8 person to whom an abatement or partial abatement has already been granted and is 9 in effect.

Existing law authorizes the Office of Economic Development to approve an abatement or a partial abatement of the Local School Support Tax in certain circumstances. (NRS 274.310, 274.320, 274.330, 360.750, 360.754, 374.356, 374.357, 374.358) Sections 5-8, 11-13 and 18 of this bill remove that authorization. Sections 2-4, 9, 10 and 14-17 of this bill make conforming changes.





# THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 231.053 is hereby amended to read as follows: 2 231.053 After considering any advice and recommendations of 3 the Board, the Executive Director: Shall direct and supervise the administrative and technical 4 1. 5 activities of the Office. 6 Shall develop and may periodically revise a State Plan for 2. 7 Economic Development, which: 8 (a) Must include a statement of: 9 (1) New industries which have the potential to be developed 10 in this State: (2) The strengths and weaknesses of this State for business 11 12 incubation: 13 (3) The competitive advantages and weaknesses of this State; (4) The manner in which this State can leverage its 14 15 competitive advantages and address its competitive weaknesses; 16 (5) A strategy to encourage the creation and expansion of 17 businesses in this State and the relocation of businesses to this State; 18 and 19 (6) Potential partners for the implementation of the strategy, including, without limitation, the Federal Government, local 20 21 governments, local and regional organizations for economic development, chambers of commerce, and private businesses, 22 23 investors and nonprofit entities; and 24 (b) Must not include provisions for the granting of any 25 abatement, partial abatement or exemption from taxes or any other 26 incentive for economic development to a person [who will]: 27 (1) Who will locate or expand a business in this State that is 28 subject to the tax imposed pursuant to NRS 362.130 or the gaming 29 license fees imposed by the provisions of NRS 463.370. 30 (2) For which any abatement or partial abatement has been 31 approved by the Office and is in effect. 32 3. Shall develop criteria for the designation of regional 33 development authorities pursuant to subsection 4. 34 4. Shall designate as many regional development authorities 35 for each region of this State as the Executive Director determines to 36 appropriate to implement the State Plan for Economic be Development. In designating regional development authorities, the 37 38 Executive Director must consult with local governmental entities 39 affected by the designation. The Executive Director may, if he or she determines that such action would aid in the implementation of 40 41 the State Plan for Economic Development, remove the designation 42 of any regional development authority previously designated





1 pursuant to this section and declare void any contract between the 2 Office and that regional development authority.

3 Shall establish procedures for entering into contracts with 5. 4 regional development authorities to provide services to aid, promote 5 and encourage the economic development of this State.

6 May apply for and accept any gift, donation, bequest, grant 6. 7 or other source of money to carry out the provisions of NRS 8 231.020 to 231.139, inclusive, and 231.1555 to 231.1597, inclusive.

9 May adopt such regulations as may be necessary to carry out 7. the provisions of NRS 231.020 to 231.139, inclusive, and 231.1555 10 to 231.1597, inclusive. 11

12 8. In a manner consistent with the laws of this State, may 13 reorganize the programs of economic development in this State to 14 further the State Plan for Economic Development. If, in the opinion 15 of the Executive Director, changes to the laws of this State are 16 necessary to implement the economic development strategy for this 17 State, the Executive Director must recommend the changes to the 18 Governor and the Legislature.

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Sec. 2. NRS 231.0685 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 231.0685 The Office shall, on or before January 15 of each 21 odd-numbered year, prepare and submit to the Director of the 22 Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmission to the Legislature a 23 report concerning the abatements from taxation that the Office 24 approved pursuant to NRS 274.310, [274.320,] 274.330, 360.750, 25 360.752, 360.753 or 360.754. The report must set forth, for each 26 abatement from taxation that the Office approved during the fiscal 27 years which are 3 fiscal years and 6 fiscal years immediately 28 preceding the submission of the report: 29

1. The dollar amount of the abatement;

30 2. The location of the business for which the abatement was 31 approved;

32 3. The value of infrastructure included as an incentive for the 33 business:

34 If applicable, the number of employees that the business for 4. 35 which the abatement was approved employs or will employ;

36 Whether the business for which the abatement was approved 5. 37 is a new business or an existing business;

38 6. The economic sector in which the business operates, the 39 number of primary jobs related to the business, the average wage 40 paid to employees of the business and the assessed values of 41 personal property and real property of the business;

42 Any information concerning whether the business for which 7. 43 the abatement was approved participates or has participated in a 44 program of workforce development, as defined in NRS 231.146, 45 implemented by the Executive Director; and





1 8. Any other information that the Office determines to be 2 useful.

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**Sec. 3.** NRS 231A.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

231A.170 1. For the purpose of NRS 231A.110, a qualified 4 5 active low-income community business is limited to those businesses meeting the Small Business Administration size 6 eligibility standards established in 13 C.F.R. §§ 121.101 to 201, 7 8 inclusive, at the time the qualified low-income community investment is made. A business must be considered a qualified 9 active low-income community business for the duration of the 10 qualified community development entity's investment in, or loan to, 11 12 the business if the entity reasonably expects, at the time it makes the 13 investment or loan, that the business will continue to satisfy the requirements for being a qualified active low-income community 14 business, other than the Small Business Administration size 15 16 standards, throughout the entire period of the investment or loan.

17 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the 18 businesses limited by this section do not include any business that 19 derives or projects to derive 15 percent or more of its annual 20 revenue from the rental or sale of real estate. This exclusion does 21 not apply to a business that is controlled by, or under common 22 control with, another business if the second business:

(a) Does not derive or project to derive 15 percent or more of itsannual revenue from the rental or sale of real estate; and

(b) Is the primary tenant of the real estate leased from the first business.

27 3. The following businesses are not qualified active low-28 income community businesses:

(a) A business that has received an abatement from taxation
pursuant to NRS 274.310, [274.320,] 274.330, 360.750, 360.753 or
360.754.

(b) An entity that has liability for insurance premium tax on apremium tax report filed pursuant to NRS 680B.030.

34 (c) A business engaged in banking or lending.

- 35 (d) A massage parlor.
- 36 (e) A bath house.
- 37 (f) A tanning salon.
- 38 (g) A country club.

39 (h) A business operating under a nonrestricted license for 40 gaming issued pursuant to NRS 463.170.

- 41 (i) A liquor store.
- 42 (j) A golf course.

43 Sec. 4. NRS 266.267 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 266.267 [1.] A city council shall not enter into a lease of real 45 property owned by the city for a term of 3 years or longer or enter





into a contract for the sale of real property until after the property
has been appraised pursuant to NRS 268.059. Except as otherwise
provided in this section, paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS
268.050 and subsection 3 of NRS 496.080:

5 [(a)] *I*. The sale or lease of real property must be made in the 6 manner required pursuant to NRS 268.059, 268.061 and 268.062; 7 and

8 **[(b)]** 2. A lease or sale must be made at or above the highest 9 appraised value of the real property as determined pursuant to the 10 appraisal conducted pursuant to NRS 268.059.

11 <sup>[2.</sup> The city council may sell or lease real property for less than 12 its appraised value to any person who maintains or intends to

13 maintain a business within the boundaries of the city which is

eligible pursuant to NRS 374.357 for an abatement from the sales
 and use taxes imposed pursuant to chapter 374 of NRS.

16 Sec. 5. NRS 274.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 274.310 1. A person who intends to locate a business in this18 State within:

(a) A historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15
U.S.C. § 632;

(b) A redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 279 of NRS;

(c) An area eligible for a community development block grant
pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 570; or

(d) An enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R.
Part 597,

27 may submit a request to the governing body of the county, city or 28 town in which the business would operate for an endorsement of an 29 application by the person to the Office of Economic Development 30 for a partial abatement of one or more of the taxes imposed pursuant to chapter 361 [or 374] of NRS. The governing body of the county, 31 32 city or town shall provide notice of the request to the board of 33 trustees of the school district in which the business would operate. 34 The notice must set forth the date, time and location of the hearing 35 at which the governing body will consider whether to endorse the 36 application.

37 2. The governing body of a county, city or town shall develop38 procedures for:

39 (a) Evaluating whether such an abatement would be beneficial40 for the economic development of the county, city or town.

(b) Issuing a certificate of endorsement for an application for
such an abatement that is found to be beneficial for the economic
development of the county, city or town.

44 3. A person whose application has been endorsed by the 45 governing body of the county, city or town, as applicable, pursuant





to this section may submit the application to the Office of Economic
 Development. The Office shall approve the application if the Office

- 3 makes the following determinations:
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(a) The business is consistent with:

5 (1) The State Plan for Economic Development developed by 6 the Administrator pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

7 (2) Any guidelines adopted by the Administrator to 8 implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

9 (b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Office 10 which states:

(1) The date on which the abatement becomes effective, as
agreed to by the applicant and the Office, which must not be earlier
than the date on which the Office received the application; and

14 (2) That the business will, after the date on which the 15 abatement becomes effective:

(I) Commence operation and continue in operation in the
historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. §
632, redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 279 of NRS,
area eligible for a community development block grant pursuant to
24 C.F.R. Part 570 or enterprise community established pursuant to
24 C.F.R. Part 597 for a period specified by the Office, which must
be at least 5 years; and

(II) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forthin this subsection.

25  $\rightarrow$  The agreement must bind successors in interest of the business 26 for the specified period.

(c) The business is registered pursuant to the laws of this State
or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all
other permits required by the county, city or town in which the
business will operate.

31 (d) The applicant invested or commits to invest a minimum of 32 \$500,000 in capital assets that will be retained at the location of the 33 business in the historically underutilized business zone, as defined 34 in 15 U.S.C. § 632, redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 35 279 of NRS, area eligible for a community development block grant pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 570 or enterprise community established 36 37 pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 until at least the date which is 5 years 38 after the date on which the abatement becomes effective.

4. If the Office of Economic Development approves an
application for a partial abatement, the Office shall immediately
forward a certificate of eligibility for the abatement to:

42 (a) The Department of Taxation;

43 (b) The Nevada Tax Commission; and





1 (c) [If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposed 2 pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the] *The* county treasurer of the 3 county in which the business will be located.

- 4 5. If the Office of Economic Development approves an 5 application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section:
- 6 (a) The partial abatement must be for a duration of not less than 7 1 year but not more than 5 years.

8 (b) [If the abatement is from the property tax imposed pursuant 9 to chapter 361 of NRS, the] *The* partial abatement must not exceed 10 75 percent of the taxes on personal property payable by a business 11 each year pursuant to that chapter.

- 12 6. If a business whose partial abatement has been approved 13 pursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:
- 14 (a) To meet the eligibility requirements for the partial 15 abatement; or
- 16 (b) Operation before the time specified in the agreement 17 described in paragraph (b) of subsection 3,

18 the business shall repay to the **Department of Taxation or, if the** 19 partial abatement was from the property tax imposed pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, to the] county treasurer, the amount of the 20 21 exemption that was allowed pursuant to this section before the 22 failure of the business to comply unless the Nevada Tax 23 Commission determines that the business has substantially complied 24 with the requirements of this section. Except as otherwise provided 25 in NRS 360.232 and 360.320, the business shall, in addition to the 26 amount of the exemption required to be paid pursuant to this 27 subsection, pay interest on the amount due at the rate most recently 28 established pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion 29 thereof, from the last day of the month following the period for 30 which the payment would have been made had the partial abatement 31 not been approved until the date of payment of the tax.

7. The Office of Economic Development may adopt such
 regulations as the Office determines to be necessary or advisable to
 carry out the provisions of this section.

8. An applicant for an abatement who is aggrieved by a final decision of the Office of Economic Development may petition for judicial review in the manner provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

Sec. 6. NRS 274.310 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 274.310 1. A person who intends to locate a business in this40 State within:

(a) A historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15
U.S.C. § 632;

43 (b) A redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 279 of44 NRS;



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1 (c) An area eligible for a community development block grant 2 pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 570; or

3 (d) An enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R.
4 Part 597,

5 may submit a request to the governing body of the county, city or 6 town in which the business would operate for an endorsement of an 7 application by the person to the Office of Economic Development 8 for a partial abatement of one or more of the taxes imposed pursuant to chapter 361 [or 374] of NRS. The governing body of the county, 9 city or town shall provide notice of the request to the board of 10 trustees of the school district in which the business would operate. 11 12 The notice must set forth the date, time and location of the hearing 13 at which the governing body will consider whether to endorse the 14 application.

15 2. The governing body of a county, city or town shall develop 16 procedures for:

(a) Evaluating whether such an abatement would be beneficialfor the economic development of the county, city or town.

(b) Issuing a certificate of endorsement for an application forsuch an abatement that is found to be beneficial for the economicdevelopment of the county, city or town.

3. A person whose application has been endorsed by the
governing body of the county, city or town, as applicable, pursuant
to this section may submit the application to the Office of Economic
Development. The Office shall approve the application if the Office
makes the following determinations:

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(a) The business is consistent with:

(1) The State Plan for Economic Development developed by
the Administrator pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

30 (2) Any guidelines adopted by the Administrator to 31 implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

32 (b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Office 33 which states:

(1) The date on which the abatement becomes effective, as
agreed to by the applicant and the Office, which must not be earlier
than the date on which the Office received the application; and

37 (2) That the business will, after the date on which a 38 certificate of eligibility for the abatement is issued pursuant to 39 subsection 4:

(I) Commence operation and continue in operation in the
historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. §
632, redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 279 of NRS,
area eligible for a community development block grant pursuant to
24 C.F.R. Part 570 or enterprise community established pursuant to





24 C.F.R. Part 597 for a period specified by the Office, which must
 be at least 5 years; and
 (II) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth
 in this subsection.

5 → The agreement must bind successors in interest of the business
6 for the specified period.

7 (c) The business is registered pursuant to the laws of this State 8 or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all 9 other permits required by the county, city or town in which the 10 business will operate.

11 (d) The applicant invested or commits to invest a minimum of 12 \$500,000 in capital.

4. If the Office of Economic Development approves an
application for a partial abatement, the Office shall immediately
forward a certificate of eligibility for the abatement to:

16 (a) The Department of Taxation;

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(b) The Nevada Tax Commission; and

(c) [If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposed
 pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the] The county treasurer of the
 county in which the business will be located.

5. If a business whose partial abatement has been approved pursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:

23 (a) To meet the eligibility requirements for the partial24 abatement; or

(b) Operation before the time specified in the agreementdescribed in paragraph (b) of subsection 3,

27 → the business shall repay to the **Department of Taxation or, if the** 28 partial abatement was from the property tax imposed pursuant to 29 chapter 361 of NRS, to the county treasurer, the amount of the exemption that was allowed pursuant to this section before the 30 31 failure of the business to comply unless the Nevada Tax 32 Commission determines that the business has substantially complied 33 with the requirements of this section. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.232 and 360.320, the business shall, in addition to the 34 35 amount of the exemption required to be paid pursuant to this 36 subsection, pay interest on the amount due at the rate most recently 37 established pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion thereof, from the last day of the month following the period for 38 which the payment would have been made had the partial abatement 39 40 not been approved until the date of payment of the tax.

41 6. The Office of Economic Development may adopt such 42 regulations as the Office determines to be necessary or advisable to 43 carry out the provisions of this section.





1 7. An applicant for an abatement who is aggrieved by a final 2 decision of the Office of Economic Development may petition for 3 judicial review in the manner provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

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Sec. 7. NRS 274.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 274.330 1. A person who owns a business which is located 6 within an enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 in this State may submit a request to the governing body of 7 8 the county, city or town in which the business is located for an endorsement of an application by the person to the Office of 9 Economic Development for a partial abatement of one or more of 10 the taxes imposed pursuant to chapter 361 [or 374] of NRS. The 11 12 governing body of the county, city or town shall provide notice of 13 the request to the board of trustees of the school district in which the 14 business operates. The notice must set forth the date, time and 15 location of the hearing at which the governing body will consider 16 whether to endorse the application.

17 2. The governing body of a county, city or town shall develop 18 procedures for:

(a) Evaluating whether such an abatement would be beneficialfor the economic development of the county, city or town.

(b) Issuing a certificate of endorsement for an application for
such an abatement that is found to be beneficial for the economic
development of the county, city or town.

3. A person whose application has been endorsed by the governing body of the county, city or town, as applicable, pursuant to this section may submit the application to the Office of Economic Development. The Office shall approve the application if the Office makes the following determinations:

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(a) The business is consistent with:

(1) The State Plan for Economic Development developed by
 the Administrator pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

32 (2) Any guidelines adopted by the Administrator to 33 implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

34 (b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Office 35 which states:

(1) The date on which the abatement becomes effective, as
agreed to by the applicant and the Office, which must not be earlier
than the date on which the Office received the application; and

39 (2) That the business will, after the date on which the40 abatement becomes effective:

41 (I) Continue in operation in the enterprise community for 42 a period specified by the Office, which must be at least 5 years; and

43 (II) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth 44 in this subsection.





1  $\rightarrow$  The agreement must bind successors in interest of the business 2 for the specified period.

3 (c) The business is registered pursuant to the laws of this State 4 or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all 5 other permits required by the county, city or town in which the 6 business operates.

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(d) The business:

8 (1) Employs one or more dislocated workers who reside in 9 the enterprise community; and

10 (2) Pays such employees a wage of not less than 100 percent 11 of the federally designated level signifying poverty for a family of 12 four persons and provides medical benefits to the employees and 13 their dependents which meet the minimum requirements for medical 14 benefits established by the Office.

15 4. If the Office of Economic Development approves an 16 application for a partial abatement, the Office shall:

(a) Determine the percentage of employees of the business
which meet the requirements of paragraph (d) of subsection 3 and
grant a partial abatement equal to that percentage; and

20 (b) Immediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the 21 abatement to:

22 23 (1) The Department of Taxation;

(2) The Nevada Tax Commission; and

(3) [If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposed
 pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the] The county treasurer of the
 county in which the business is located.

5. If the Office of Economic Development approves anapplication for a partial abatement pursuant to this section:

(a) The partial abatement must be for a duration of not less than1 year but not more than 5 years.

(b) [If the abatement is from the property tax imposed pursuant
to chapter 361 of NRS, the] *The* partial abatement must not exceed
75 percent of the taxes on personal property payable by a business
each year pursuant to that chapter.

6. If a business whose partial abatement has been approvedpursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:

37 (a) To meet the eligibility requirements for the partial38 abatement; or

(b) Operation before the time specified in the agreementdescribed in paragraph (b) of subsection 3,

41  $\rightarrow$  the business shall repay to the [Department of Taxation or, if the

42 partial abatement was from the property tax imposed pursuant to 43 chapter 361 of NRS, to the] county treasurer, the amount of the

44 exemption that was allowed pursuant to this section before the 45 failure of the business to comply unless the Nevada Tax





1 Commission determines that the business has substantially complied 2 with the requirements of this section. Except as otherwise provided

3 in NRS 360.232 and 360.320, the business shall, in addition to the 4 amount of the exemption required to be paid pursuant to this 5 subsection, pay interest on the amount due at the rate most recently 6 established pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion 7 thereof, from the last day of the month following the period for 8 which the payment would have been made had the partial abatement 9 not been approved until the date of payment of the tax.

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7. The Office of Economic Development:

(a) Shall adopt regulations relating to the minimum level of
 benefits that a business must provide to its employees to qualify for
 an abatement pursuant to this section.

(b) May adopt such other regulations as the Office determines tobe necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this section.

16 8. An applicant for an abatement who is aggrieved by a final 17 decision of the Office of Economic Development may petition for 18 judicial review in the manner provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

19 9. As used in this section, "dislocated worker" means a person 20 who:

21 (a) Has been terminated, laid off or received notice of 22 termination or layoff from employment;

(b) Is eligible for or receiving or has exhausted his or herentitlement to unemployment compensation;

(c) Has been dependent on the income of another family
 member but is no longer supported by that income;

(d) Has been self-employed but is no longer receiving an income
from self-employment because of general economic conditions in
the community or natural disaster; or

30 (e) Is currently unemployed and unable to return to a previous31 industry or occupation.

**Sec. 8.** NRS 274.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 274.330 1. A person who owns a business which is located 34 within an enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. 35 Part 597 in this State may submit a request to the governing body of 36 the county, city or town in which the business is located for an 37 endorsement of an application by the person to the Office of 38 Economic Development for a partial abatement of one or more of 39 the taxes imposed pursuant to chapter 361 [or 374] of NRS. The 40 governing body of the county, city or town shall provide notice of 41 the request to the board of trustees of the school district in which the 42 business operates. The notice must set forth the date, time and 43 location of the hearing at which the governing body will consider 44 whether to endorse the application.





1 2. The governing body of a county, city or town shall develop 2 procedures for:

3 (a) Evaluating whether such an abatement would be beneficial 4 for the economic development of the county, city or town.

5 (b) Issuing a certificate of endorsement for an application for 6 such an abatement that is found to be beneficial for the economic 7 development of the county, city or town.

8 3. A person whose application has been endorsed by the 9 governing body of the county, city or town, as applicable, pursuant 10 to this section may submit the application to the Office of Economic 11 Development. The Office shall approve the application if the Office 12 makes the following determinations:

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(a) The business is consistent with:

14 (1) The State Plan for Economic Development developed by 15 the Administrator pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

16 (2) Any guidelines adopted by the Administrator to 17 implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

18 (b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Office 19 which states:

(1) The date on which the abatement becomes effective, as
agreed to by the applicant and the Office, which must not be earlier
than the date on which the Office received the application; and

(2) That the business will, after the date on which a
 certificate of eligibility for the abatement is issued pursuant to
 subsection 4:

26 (I) Continue in operation in the enterprise community for 27 a period specified by the Office, which must be at least 5 years; and

(II) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth
 in this subsection.

30  $\rightarrow$  The agreement must bind successors in interest of the business 31 for the specified period.

(c) The business is registered pursuant to the laws of this State
or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all
other permits required by the county, city or town in which the
business operates.

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(d) The business:

(1) Employs one or more dislocated workers who reside inthe enterprise community; and

(2) Pays such employees a wage of not less than 100 percent
of the federally designated level signifying poverty for a family of
four persons and provides medical benefits to the employees and
their dependents which meet the minimum requirements for medical
benefits established by the Office.

44 4. If the Office of Economic Development approves an 45 application for a partial abatement, the Office shall:





1 (a) Determine the percentage of employees of the business 2 which meet the requirements of paragraph (d) of subsection 3 and 3 grant a partial abatement equal to that percentage; and

4 (b) İmmediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the 5 abatement to:

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(1) The Department of Taxation;

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(2) The Nevada Tax Commission; and

8 (3) [If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposed 9 pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the] *The* county treasurer of the 10 county in which the business is located.

11 5. If a business whose partial abatement has been approved 12 pursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:

13 (a) To meet the eligibility requirements for the partial 14 abatement; or

15 (b) Operation before the time specified in the agreement 16 described in paragraph (b) of subsection 3,

17 the business shall repay to the **Department of Taxation or, if the** 18 partial abatement was from the property tax imposed pursuant to 19 chapter 361 of NRS, to the county treasurer, the amount of the 20 exemption that was allowed pursuant to this section before the 21 failure of the business to comply unless the Nevada Tax 22 Commission determines that the business has substantially complied 23 with the requirements of this section. Except as otherwise provided 24 in NRS 360.232 and 360.320, the business shall, in addition to the 25 amount of the exemption required to be paid pursuant to this 26 subsection, pay interest on the amount due at the rate most recently 27 established pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion 28 thereof, from the last day of the month following the period for 29 which the payment would have been made had the partial abatement 30 not been approved until the date of payment of the tax.

6. The Office of Economic Development:

(a) Shall adopt regulations relating to the minimum level of
 benefits that a business must provide to its employees to qualify for
 an abatement pursuant to this section.

(b) May adopt such other regulations as the Office determines to
 be necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this section.

7. An applicant for an abatement who is aggrieved by a final
decision of the Office of Economic Development may petition for
judicial review in the manner provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

40 8. As used in this section, "dislocated worker" means a person 41 who:

42 (a) Has been terminated, laid off or received notice of 43 termination or layoff from employment;

(b) Is eligible for or receiving or has exhausted his or herentitlement to unemployment compensation;





(c) Has been dependent on the income of another family 1 2 member but is no longer supported by that income;

(d) Has been self-employed but is no longer receiving an income 3 4 from self-employment because of general economic conditions in 5 the community or natural disaster; or

6 (e) Is currently unemployed and unable to return to a previous 7 industry or occupation. 8

Sec. 9. NRS 353.207 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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353.207 1. The Chief shall:

(a) Require the Office of Economic Development and the Office 10 of Energy each periodically to conduct an analysis of the relative 11 costs and benefits of each incentive for economic development 12 13 previously approved by the respective office and in effect during the immediately preceding 2 fiscal years, including, without limitation, 14 any abatement of taxes approved by the Office of Economic 15 Development pursuant to NRS 274.310, [274.320,] 274.330, 16 360.750, 360.752, 360.753, 360.754, 360.890, 360.950, 361.0687 17 374.357] or 701A.210, to assist the Governor and the Legislature in 18 determining whether the economic benefits of the incentive have 19 accomplished the purposes of the statute pursuant to which the 20 21 incentive was approved and warrant additional incentives of that 22 kind:

23 (b) Require each office to report in writing to the Chief the 24 results of the analysis conducted by the office pursuant to paragraph 25 (a); and

26 (c) Establish a schedule for performing and reporting the results of the analysis required by paragraph (a) which ensures that the 27 28 results of the analysis reported by each office are included in the 29 proposed budget prepared pursuant to NRS 353.205, as required by 30 that section.

31 2. Each report prepared for the Chief pursuant to this section is 32 a public record and is open to inspection pursuant to the provisions 33 of NRS 239.010.

34 **Sec. 10.** NRS 360.225 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 360.225 1. During the course of an investigation undertaken 36 pursuant to NRS 360.130 of a person claiming:

37 (a) A partial abatement of property taxes pursuant to 38 NRS 361.0687;

(b) An exemption from taxes pursuant to NRS 363B.120;

40 (c) A deferral of the payment of taxes on the sale of eligible property pursuant to NRS 372.397 or 374.402; 41

42 (d) [An abatement of taxes on the gross receipts from the sale, 43 storage, use or other consumption of eligible machinery or equipment pursuant to NRS 374.357; 44



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1 (e)] A partial abatement of taxes pursuant to NRS 360.752 on or 2 before June 30, 2023;

3 [(f)] (e) A partial abatement of taxes pursuant to NRS 360.754 4 on or before December 31, 2056;

5 [(g)] (f) A partial abatement of taxes pursuant to NRS 360.890 6 on or before June 30, 2032; or

7 [(h)] (g) An abatement of taxes pursuant to NRS 360.950 on or 8 before June 30, 2036,

9 → the Department shall investigate whether the person meets the 10 eligibility requirements for the abatement, partial abatement, 11 exemption or deferral that the person is claiming.

12 2. If the Department finds that the person does not meet the 13 eligibility requirements for the abatement, exemption or deferral 14 which the person is claiming, the Department shall report its 15 findings to the Office of Economic Development and take any other 16 necessary actions.

Sec. 11. NRS 360.750 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 360.750 1. A person who intends to locate or expand a 19 business in this State may apply to the Office of Economic 20 Development pursuant to this section for a partial abatement of one 21 or more of the taxes imposed on the new or expanded business 22 pursuant to chapter 361 [,] or 363B [or 374] of NRS.

23 2. The Office of Economic Development shall approve an 24 application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section if the 25 Office makes the following determinations:

(a) The business offers primary jobs and is consistent with:

(1) The State Plan for Economic Development developed by
the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development
pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

30 (2) Any guidelines adopted by the Executive Director of the
 31 Office to implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

32 (b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Office 33 which must:

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(1) Comply with the requirements of NRS 360.755;

35 (2) State the date on which the abatement becomes effective, 36 as agreed to by the applicant and the Office, which must not be 37 earlier than the date on which the Office received the application;

(3) State that the business will, after the date on which the
abatement becomes effective, continue in operation in this State for
a period specified by the Office, which must be at least 5 years, and
will continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in this
subsection;

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(4) State that the business will offer primary jobs; and

44 (5) Bind the successors in interest of the business for the 45 specified period.





1 (c) The business is registered pursuant to the laws of this State 2 or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all 3 other permits required by the county, city or town in which the 4 business operates.

5 (d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 or 5, the 6 average hourly wage that will be paid by the business to its new 7 employees in this State is at least 100 percent of the average 8 statewide hourly wage as established by the Employment Security 9 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and 10 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year.

(e) The business will, by the eighth calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes effective, offer a health insurance plan for all employees that includes an option for health insurance coverage for dependents of the employees, and the health care benefits the business offers to its employees in this State will meet the minimum requirements for health care benefits established by the Office.

18 (f) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS 19 361.0687, if the business is a new business in a county whose 20 population is 100,000 or more or a city whose population is 60,000 21 or more, the business meets at least one of the following 22 requirements:

(1) The business will have 50 or more full-time employees
on the payroll of the business by the eighth calendar quarter
following the calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes
effective who will be employed at the location of the business in
that county or city until at least the date which is 5 years after the
date on which the abatement becomes effective.

(2) Establishing the business will require the business to
make, not later than the date which is 2 years after the date on which
the abatement becomes effective, a capital investment of at least
\$1,000,000 in this State in capital assets that will be retained at the
location of the business in that county or city until at least the date
which is 5 years after the date on which the abatement becomes
effective.

36 (g) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 361.0687, if the business is a new business in a county whose population is less than 37 38 100,000, in an area of a county whose population is 100,000 or more that is located within the geographic boundaries of an area that is 39 40 designated as rural by the United States Department of Agriculture 41 and at least 20 miles outside of the geographic boundaries of an area 42 designated as urban by the United States Department of Agriculture, 43 or in a city whose population is less than 60,000, the business meets 44 at least one of the following requirements:





(1) The business will have 10 or more full-time employees 1 2 on the payroll of the business by the eighth calendar quarter 3 following the calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes effective who will be employed at the location of the business in 4 5 that county or city until at least the date which is 5 years after the 6 date on which the abatement becomes effective.

(2) Establishing the business will require the business to 7 8 make, not later than the date which is 2 years after the date on which 9 the abatement becomes effective, a capital investment of at least \$250,000 in this State in capital assets that will be retained at the 10 location of the business in that county or city until at least the date 11 12 which is 5 years after the date on which the abatement becomes 13 effective.

14 (h) If the business is an existing business, the business meets at least one of the following requirements: 15

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(1) For a business in:

17 (I) Except as otherwise provided in sub-subparagraph (II), 18 a county whose population is 100,000 or more or a city whose 19 population is 60,000 or more, the business will, by the eighth 20 calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the 21 abatement becomes effective, increase the number of employees on 22 its payroll in that county or city by 10 percent more than it 23 employed in the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in 24 which the abatement becomes effective or by twenty-five 25 employees, whichever is greater, who will be employed at the 26 location of the business in that county or city until at least the date 27 which is 5 years after the date on which the abatement becomes 28 effective: or

29 (II) A county whose population is less than 100,000, an 30 area of a county whose population is 100,000 or more that is located 31 within the geographic boundaries of an area that is designated as 32 rural by the United States Department of Agriculture and at least 20 33 miles outside of the geographic boundaries of an area designated as urban by the United States Department of Agriculture, or a city 34 35 whose population is less than 60,000, the business will, by the 36 eighth calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the 37 abatement becomes effective, increase the number of employees on 38 its payroll in that county or city by 10 percent more than it employed in the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in 39 which the abatement becomes effective or by six employees, 40 whichever is greater, who will be employed at the location of the 41 42 business in that county or city until at least the date which is 5 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective. 43

44 (2) The business will expand by making a capital investment 45 in this State, not later than the date which is 2 years after the date on





1 which the abatement becomes effective, in an amount equal to at 2 least 20 percent of the value of the tangible property possessed by 3 the business in the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year 4 in which the abatement becomes effective, and the capital 5 investment will be in capital assets that will be retained at the 6 location of the business in that county or city until at least the date 7 which is 5 years after the date on which the abatement becomes 8 effective. The determination of the value of the tangible property 9 possessed by the business in the immediately preceding fiscal year 10 must be made by the:

11 (I) County assessor of the county in which the business 12 will expand, if the business is locally assessed; or

(II) Department, if the business is centrally assessed.

(i) The applicant has provided in the application an estimate of
the total number of new employees which the business anticipates
hiring in this State by the eighth calendar quarter following the
calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes effective if the
Office approves the application.

19 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 2, the Office 20 of Economic Development:

(a) Shall not consider an application for a partial abatement
 pursuant to this section unless the Office has requested a letter of
 acknowledgment of the request for the abatement from any affected
 county, school district, city or town.

(b) Shall consider the level of health care benefits provided by the business to its employees, the projected economic impact of the business and the projected tax revenue of the business after deducting projected revenue from the abated taxes.

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(c) May, if the Office determines that such action is necessary:

(1) Approve an application for a partial abatement pursuant
to this section by a business that does not meet the requirements set
forth in paragraph (f), (g) or (h) of subsection 2;

33 (2) Make any of the requirements set forth in paragraphs (d)
34 to (h), inclusive, of subsection 2 more stringent; or

35 (3) Add additional requirements that a business must meet to 36 qualify for a partial abatement pursuant to this section.

4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Office of
Economic Development shall not approve an application for a
partial abatement pursuant to this section if:

(a) The applicant intends to locate or expand in a county in
which the rate of unemployment is 7 percent or more and the
average hourly wage that will be paid by the applicant to its new
employees in this State is less than 70 percent of the average
statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security





1 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and 2 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year.

3 (b) The applicant intends to locate or expand in a county in 4 which the rate of unemployment is less than 7 percent and the 5 average hourly wage that will be paid by the applicant to its new 6 employees in this State is less than 85 percent of the average 7 statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security 8 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and 9 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year.

5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the Office of Economic Development approves an application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section, in determining the types of taxes imposed on a new or expanded business for which the partial abatement will be approved and the amount of the partial abatement:

15 (a) If the new or expanded business is located in a county in 16 which the rate of unemployment is 7 percent or more and the 17 average hourly wage that will be paid by the business to its new 18 employees in this State is less than 85 percent of the average 19 statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security 20 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and 21 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year, the Office shall not:

(1) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to
 chapter 361 of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the taxes on
 personal property payable by the business each year.

25 (2) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 26 chapter 363B of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the amount of 27 tax otherwise due pursuant to NRS 363B.110.

(b) If the new or expanded business is located in a county in which the rate of unemployment is less than 7 percent and the average hourly wage that will be paid by the business to its new employees in this State is less than 100 percent of the average statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year, the Office shall not:

(1) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to
 chapter 361 of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the taxes on
 personal property payable by the business each year.

38 (2) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 39 chapter 363B of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the amount of 40 tax otherwise due pursuant to NRS 363B.110.

41 [(3) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 42 chapter 374 of NRS which exceeds the local sales and use taxes. As 43 used in this subparagraph, "local sales and use taxes" means the 44 taxes imposed on the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of 45 tangible personal property sold at retail, or stored, used or otherwise





1 consumed, in the political subdivision in which the new or expanded

2 business is located, except the taxes imposed by the Sales and Use

3 Tax Act and the Local School Support Tax Law.]

6. If the Office of Economic Development approves an
application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section, the
Office shall immediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the
abatement to:

(a) The Department;

(b) The Nevada Tax Commission; and

10 (c) If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposed 11 pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the county treasurer.

12 7. An applicant for a partial abatement pursuant to this section 13 or an existing business whose partial abatement is in effect shall, 14 upon the request of the Executive Director of the Office of 15 Economic Development, furnish the Executive Director with copies 16 of all records necessary to verify that the applicant meets the 17 requirements of subsection 2.

18 8. If a business whose partial abatement has been approved 19 pursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:

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(a) To meet the requirements set forth in subsection 2; or

(b) Operation before the time specified in the agreementdescribed in paragraph (b) of subsection 2,

23  $\rightarrow$  the business shall repay to the Department or, if the partial 24 abatement was from the property tax imposed pursuant to chapter 25 361 of NRS, to the county treasurer, the amount of the exemption 26 that was allowed pursuant to this section before the failure of the 27 business to comply unless the Nevada Tax Commission determines 28 that the business has substantially complied with the requirements of 29 this section. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.232 and 30 360.320, the business shall, in addition to the amount of the 31 exemption required to be paid pursuant to this subsection, pay 32 interest on the amount due at the rate most recently established 33 pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion thereof, from the 34 last day of the month following the period for which the payment 35 would have been made had the partial abatement not been approved 36 until the date of payment of the tax.

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9. A county treasurer:

(a) Shall deposit any money that he or she receives pursuant to
subsection 8 in one or more of the funds established by a local
government of the county pursuant to NRS 354.6113 or 354.6115;
and

(b) May use the money deposited pursuant to paragraph (a) onlyfor the purposes authorized by NRS 354.6113 and 354.6115.

The Office of Economic Development may adopt such
 regulations as the Office of Economic Development determines to





1 be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and 2 NRS 360.755.

- 11. The Nevada Tax Commission:
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(a) Shall adopt regulations regarding:(1) The capital investment that a new business must make to

5 (1) The capital investment that a new business must make to 6 meet the requirement set forth in paragraph (f) or (g) of subsection 7 2; and

8 (2) Any security that a business is required to post to qualify 9 for a partial abatement pursuant to this section.

10 (b) May adopt such other regulations as the Nevada Tax 11 Commission determines to be necessary to carry out the provisions 12 of this section and NRS 360.755.

12. An applicant for a partial abatement pursuant to this section
who is aggrieved by a final decision of the Office of Economic
Development may petition for judicial review in the manner
provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

17 13. For the purposes of this section, an employee is a "full-time employee" if he or she is in a permanent position of employment and works an average of 30 hours per week during the applicable 20 period set forth in subsection 2.

Sec. 12. NRS 360.750 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 360.750 1. A person who intends to locate or expand a 23 business in this State may apply to the Office of Economic 24 Development pursuant to this section for a partial abatement of one 25 or more of the taxes imposed on the new or expanded business 26 pursuant to chapter 361 [,] or 363B [or 374] of NRS.

27 2. The Office of Economic Development shall approve an 28 application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section if the 29 Office makes the following determinations:

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(a) The business offers primary jobs and is consistent with:

(1) The State Plan for Economic Development developed by
the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development
pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

34 (2) Any guidelines adopted by the Executive Director of the
 35 Office to implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

(b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Officewhich must:

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(1) Comply with the requirements of NRS 360.755;

39 (2) State the date on which the abatement becomes effective,40 as agreed to by the applicant and the Office, which must not be41 earlier than the date on which the Office received the application;

42 (3) State that the business will, after the date on which the 43 abatement becomes effective, continue in operation in this State for 44 a period specified by the Office, which must be at least 5 years, and





1 will continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in this2 subsection;

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(4) State that the business will offer primary jobs; and

4 (5) Bind the successors in interest of the business for the 5 specified period.

6 (c) The business is registered pursuant to the laws of this State 7 or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all 8 other permits required by the county, city or town in which the 9 business operates.

10 (d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4 or 5, the 11 average hourly wage that will be paid by the business to its new 12 employees in this State is at least 100 percent of the average 13 statewide hourly wage as established by the Employment Security 14 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and 15 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year.

16 (e) The business will, by the eighth calendar quarter following 17 the calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes effective, offer 18 a health insurance plan for all employees that includes an option for 19 health insurance coverage for dependents of the employees, and the 20 health care benefits the business offers to its employees in this State 21 will meet the minimum requirements for health care benefits 22 established by the Office.

(f) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS
361.0687, if the business is a new business in a county whose
population is 100,000 or more or a city whose population is 60,000
or more, the business meets at least one of the following
requirements:

(1) The business will have 75 or more full-time employees on the payroll of the business by the eighth calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes effective who will be employed at the location of the business in that county or city until at least the date which is 5 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective.

(2) Establishing the business will require the business tomake a capital investment of at least \$1,000,000 in this State.

36 (g) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 361.0687, if the 37 business is a new business in a county whose population is less than 38 100,000, in an area of a county whose population is 100,000 or more that is located within the geographic boundaries of an area that is 39 40 designated as rural by the United States Department of Agriculture 41 and at least 20 miles outside of the geographic boundaries of an area 42 designated as urban by the United States Department of Agriculture, 43 or in a city whose population is less than 60,000, the business meets 44 at least one of the following requirements:





1 (1) The business will have 15 or more full-time employees 2 on the payroll of the business by the eighth calendar quarter 3 following the calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes 4 effective who will be employed at the location of the business in 5 that county or city until at least the date which is 5 years after the 6 date on which the abatement becomes effective.

7 (2) Establishing the business will require the business to 8 make a capital investment of at least \$250,000 in this State.

9 (h) If the business is an existing business, the business meets at 10 least one of the following requirements:

11 (1) The business will increase the number of employees on 12 its payroll by 10 percent more than it employed in the immediately 13 preceding fiscal year or by six employees, whichever is greater.

14 (2) The business will expand by making a capital investment 15 in this State in an amount equal to at least 20 percent of the value of 16 the tangible property possessed by the business in the immediately 17 preceding fiscal year. The determination of the value of the tangible 18 property possessed by the business in the immediately preceding 19 fiscal year must be made by the:

20 (I) County assessor of the county in which the business 21 will expand, if the business is locally assessed; or

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(II) Department, if the business is centrally assessed.

(i) The applicant has provided in the application an estimate of
the total number of new employees which the business anticipates
hiring in this State by the eighth calendar quarter following the
calendar quarter in which the abatement becomes effective if the
Office approves the application.

28 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 2, the Office 29 of Economic Development:

30 (a) Shall not consider an application for a partial abatement 31 pursuant to this section unless the Office has requested a letter of 32 acknowledgment of the request for the abatement from any affected 33 county, school district, city or town.

(b) Shall consider the level of health care benefits provided by
the business to its employees, the projected economic impact of the
business and the projected tax revenue of the business after
deducting projected revenue from the abated taxes.

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(c) May, if the Office determines that such action is necessary:

(1) Approve an application for a partial abatement pursuant
to this section by a business that does not meet the requirements set
forth in paragraph (f), (g) or (h) of subsection 2;

42 (2) Make any of the requirements set forth in paragraphs (d) 43 to (h), inclusive, of subsection 2 more stringent; or

44 (3) Add additional requirements that a business must meet to 45 qualify for a partial abatement pursuant to this section.



1 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Office of 2 Economic Development shall not approve an application for a 3 partial abatement pursuant to this section if:

4 (a) The applicant intends to locate or expand in a county in 5 which the rate of unemployment is 7 percent or more and the 6 average hourly wage that will be paid by the applicant to its new employees in this State is less than 70 percent of the average 7 8 statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security 9 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year. 10

(b) The applicant intends to locate or expand in a county in 11 12 which the rate of unemployment is less than 7 percent and the 13 average hourly wage that will be paid by the applicant to its new 14 employees in this State is less than 85 percent of the average 15 statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security 16 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and 17 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the Office of 18 5. 19 Economic Development approves an application for a partial 20 abatement pursuant to this section, in determining the types of taxes 21 imposed on a new or expanded business for which the partial 22 abatement will be approved and the amount of the partial abatement:

23 (a) If the new or expanded business is located in a county in 24 which the rate of unemployment is 7 percent or more and the average hourly wage that will be paid by the business to its new 25 26 employees in this State is less than 85 percent of the average 27 statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security 28 Division of the Department of Employment, Training and 29 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year, the Office shall not:

30 (1) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 31 chapter 361 of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the taxes on 32 personal property payable by the business each year.

33 (2) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 34 chapter 363B of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the amount of 35 tax otherwise due pursuant to NRS 363B.110.

36 (b) If the new or expanded business is located in a county in 37 which the rate of unemployment is less than 7 percent and the 38 average hourly wage that will be paid by the business to its new 39 employees in this State is less than 100 percent of the average 40 statewide hourly wage, as established by the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training 41 and 42 Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year, the Office shall not:

43 (1) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 44 chapter 361 of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the taxes on 45 personal property payable by the business each year.





1 (2) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 2 chapter 363B of NRS which exceeds 25 percent of the amount of 3 tax otherwise due pursuant to NRS 363B.110.

4 [(3) Approve an abatement of the taxes imposed pursuant to 5 chapter 374 of NRS which exceeds the local sales and use taxes. As used in this subparagraph, "local sales and use taxes" means the 6 taxes imposed on the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of 7 8 tangible personal property sold at retail, or stored, used or otherwise consumed, in the political subdivision in which the new or expanded 9 business is located, except the taxes imposed by the Sales and Use 10 Tax Act and the Local School Support Tax Law.] 11

12 6. If the Office of Economic Development approves an 13 application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section, the 14 Office shall immediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the 15 abatement to:

(a) The Department;

(b) The Nevada Tax Commission; and

(c) If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposedpursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the county treasurer.

7. An applicant for a partial abatement pursuant to this section or an existing business whose partial abatement is in effect shall, upon the request of the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development, furnish the Executive Director with copies of all records necessary to verify that the applicant meets the requirements of subsection 2.

8. If a business whose partial abatement has been approvedpursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:

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(a) To meet the requirements set forth in subsection 2; or

(b) Operation before the time specified in the agreementdescribed in paragraph (b) of subsection 2,

31  $\rightarrow$  the business shall repay to the Department or, if the partial 32 abatement was from the property tax imposed pursuant to chapter 33 361 of NRS, to the county treasurer, the amount of the exemption that was allowed pursuant to this section before the failure of the 34 35 business to comply unless the Nevada Tax Commission determines 36 that the business has substantially complied with the requirements of 37 this section. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.232 and 38 360.320, the business shall, in addition to the amount of the 39 exemption required to be paid pursuant to this subsection, pay 40 interest on the amount due at the rate most recently established 41 pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion thereof, from the 42 last day of the month following the period for which the payment 43 would have been made had the partial abatement not been approved 44 until the date of payment of the tax.

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9. A county treasurer:





(a) Shall deposit any money that he or she receives pursuant to
 subsection 8 in one or more of the funds established by a local
 government of the county pursuant to NRS 354.6113 or 354.6115;
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5 (b) May use the money deposited pursuant to paragraph (a) only 6 for the purposes authorized by NRS 354.6113 and 354.6115.

7 10. The Office of Economic Development may adopt such 8 regulations as the Office of Economic Development determines to 9 be necessary to carry out the provisions of this section and 10 NRS 360.755.

11 12 11. The Nevada Tax Commission:

(a) Shall adopt regulations regarding:

13 (1) The capital investment that a new business must make to 14 meet the requirement set forth in paragraph (f) or (g) of subsection 15 2; and

16 (2) Any security that a business is required to post to qualify 17 for a partial abatement pursuant to this section.

(b) May adopt such other regulations as the Nevada Tax
Commission determines to be necessary to carry out the provisions
of this section and NRS 360.755.

12. An applicant for a partial abatement pursuant to this section
who is aggrieved by a final decision of the Office of Economic
Development may petition for judicial review in the manner
provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

13. For the purposes of this section, an employee is a "full-time employee" if he or she is in a permanent position of employment and works an average of 30 hours per week during the applicable period set forth in subsection 2.

Sec. 13. NRS 360.754 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 360.754 1. A person who intends to locate or expand a data 31 center in this State may apply to the Office of Economic 32 Development pursuant to this section for a partial abatement of one 33 or more of the taxes imposed on the new or expanded data center 34 pursuant to chapter 361 [or 374] of NRS.

2. The Office of Economic Development shall approve an
application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section if the
Office makes the following determinations:

(a) The application is consistent with the State Plan for
Economic Development developed by the Executive Director of the
Office of Economic Development pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS
231.053 and any guidelines adopted by the Executive Director of the
Office to implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

43 (b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Office of 44 Economic Development which must:

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(1) Comply with the requirements of NRS 360.755;





1 (2) State the date on which the abatement becomes effective, 2 as agreed to by the applicant and the Office of Economic 3 Development, which must not be earlier than the date on which the 4 Office received the application;

5 (3) State that the data center will, after the date on which the 6 abatement becomes effective, continue in operation in this State for 7 a period specified by the Office of Economic Development, which 8 must be at least 10 years, and will continue to meet the eligibility 9 requirements set forth in this subsection; and

10 (4) Bind the successors in interest of the applicant for the 11 specified period.

12 (c) The applicant is registered pursuant to the laws of this State 13 or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all 14 other permits required by each county, city or town in which the 15 data center operates.

16 (d) If the applicant is seeking a partial abatement for a period of 17 not more than 10 years, the applicant meets the following 18 requirements:

19 (1) The data center will, by not later than the date that is 5 20 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective, have 21 or have added 10 or more full-time employees who are residents of 22 Nevada and who will be employed at the data center and will 23 continue to employ 10 or more full-time employees who are 24 residents of Nevada at the data center until at least the date which is 25 10 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective.

26 (2) Establishing or expanding the data center will require the 27 data center or any combination of the data center and one or more 28 colocated businesses to make in each county in this State in which 29 the data center is located, by not later than the date which is 5 years 30 after the date on which the abatement becomes effective, a 31 cumulative capital investment of at least \$25,000,000 in capital 32 assets that will be used or located at the data center.

(3) The average hourly wage that will be paid by the data
center to its employees in this State is at least 100 percent of the
average statewide hourly wage as established by the Employment
Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and
Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year and:

38 (I) The data center will, by not later than the date which is 39 2 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective, 40 provide a health insurance plan for all employees employed at the 41 data center that includes an option for health insurance coverage for 42 dependents of the employees; and

43 (II) The health care benefits provided to employees 44 employed at the data center will meet the minimum requirements for





health care benefits established by the Office of Economic
 Development by regulation pursuant to subsection 12.

3 (4) At least 50 percent of the employees engaged in the 4 construction of the data center are residents of Nevada, unless 5 waived by the Executive Director of the Office of Economic 6 Development upon proof satisfactory to the Executive Director of 7 the Office of Economic Development that there is an insufficient 8 number of residents of Nevada available and qualified for such 9 employment.

10 (e) If the applicant is seeking a partial abatement for a period of 11 10 years or more but not more than 20 years, the applicant meets the 12 following requirements:

13 (1) The data center will, by not later than the date that is 5 14 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective, have 15 or have added 50 or more full-time employees who are residents of 16 Nevada and who will be employed at the data center and will 17 continue to employ 50 or more full-time employees who are 18 residents of Nevada at the data center until at least the date which is 19 20 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective.

20 (2) Establishing or expanding the data center will require the 21 data center or any combination of the data center and one or more 22 colocated businesses to make in each county in this State in which 23 the data center is located, by not later than the date which is 5 years 24 after the date on which the abatement becomes effective, a 25 cumulative capital investment of at least \$100,000,000 in capital 26 assets that will be used or located at the data center.

(3) The average hourly wage that will be paid by the data
center to its employees in this State is at least 100 percent of the
average statewide hourly wage as established by the Employment
Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and
Rehabilitation on July 1 of each fiscal year and:

(I) The data center will, by not later than the date which is
2 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective,
provide a health insurance plan for all employees employed at the
data center that includes an option for health insurance coverage for
dependents of the employees; and

(II) The health care benefits provided to employees
employed at the data center will meet the minimum requirements for
health care benefits established by the Office of Economic
Development by regulation pursuant to subsection 12.

41 (4) At least 50 percent of the employees engaged in the 42 construction of the data center are residents of Nevada, unless 43 waived by the Executive Director of the Office of Economic 44 Development upon proof satisfactory to the Executive Director of 45 the Office of Economic Development that there is an insufficient





number of residents of Nevada available and qualified for such
 employment.

(f) The applicant has provided in the application an estimate of
the total number of new employees which the data center anticipates
hiring in this State if the Office of Economic Development approves
the application.

7 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 2, the Office 8 of Economic Development:

9 (a) Shall not consider an application for a partial abatement 10 pursuant to this section unless the Office of Economic Development 11 has requested a letter of acknowledgment of the request for the 12 abatement from each affected county, school district, city or town.

(b) Shall consider the level of health care benefits provided to
employees employed at the data center, the projected economic
impact of the data center and the projected tax revenue of the data
center after deducting projected revenue from the abated taxes.

17 (c) May, if the Office of Economic Development determines 18 that such action is necessary:

(1) Approve an application for a partial abatement pursuant
to this section by a data center that does not meet the requirements
set forth in paragraph (d) or (e) of subsection 2;

(2) Make the requirements set forth in paragraph (d) and (e)
of subsection 2 more stringent; or

(3) Add additional requirements that an applicant must meetto qualify for a partial abatement pursuant to this section.

4. If the Office of Economic Development approves an
application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section, the
Office shall immediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the
abatement to:

30 (a) The Department;

31 (b) The Nevada Tax Commission; and

(c) [If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposed
 pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the] The county treasurer of each
 county in which the data center is or will be located.

35 5. If the Office of Economic Development approves an 36 application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section, the 37 Office may also approve a partial abatement of taxes for each 38 colocated business that enters into a contract to use or occupy, for a 39 period of at least 2 years, all or a portion of the new or expanded 40 data center. Each such colocated business shall obtain a state business license issued by the Secretary of State. The percentage 41 42 amount of a partial abatement approved for a colocated business 43 pursuant to this subsection must not exceed the percentage amount 44 of the partial abatement approved for the data center. The duration 45 of a partial abatement approved for a colocated business pursuant to





1 this subsection must not exceed the duration of the contract or 2 contracts entered into between the colocated business and the data 3 center, including the duration of any contract or contracts extended 4 or renewed by the parties. If a colocated business ceases to meet the 5 requirements set forth in this subsection, the colocated business 6 shall repay the amount of the abatement that was allowed in the 7 same manner in which a data center is required by subsection 7 to repay the Department or a county treasurer. If a data center ceases to 8 9 meet the requirements of subsection 2 or ceases operation before the time specified in the agreement described in paragraph (b) of 10 subsection 2, any partial abatement approved for a colocated 11 12 business ceases to be in effect, but the colocated business is not 13 required to repay the amount of the abatement that was allowed 14 before the date on which the abatement ceases to be in effect. A data 15 center shall provide the Executive Director of the Office and the 16 Department with a list of the colocated businesses that are qualified 17 to receive a partial abatement pursuant to this subsection and shall 18 notify the Executive Director within 30 days after any change to the 19 list. The Executive Director shall provide the list and any updates to 20 the list to the Department and the county treasurer of each affected 21 county.

6. An applicant for a partial abatement pursuant to this section or a data center whose partial abatement is in effect shall, upon the request of the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development, furnish the Executive Director with copies of all records necessary to verify that the applicant meets the requirements of subsection 2.

7. If a data center whose partial abatement has been approvedpursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:

30 (a) To meet the requirements set forth in subsection 2; or

31 (b) Operation before the time specified in the agreement 32 described in paragraph (b) of subsection 2,

33 the data center shall repay to the Department or, if the partial 34 abatement was from the property tax imposed pursuant to chapter 35 <del>361 of NRS, to]</del> the county treasurer, the amount of the abatement 36 that was allowed pursuant to this section before the failure of the 37 data center to comply unless the Nevada Tax Commission 38 determines that the data center has substantially complied with the 39 requirements of this section. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 40 360.232 and 360.320, the data center shall, in addition to the amount 41 of the abatement required to be repaid pursuant to this subsection, 42 pay interest on the amount due at the rate most recently established 43 pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion thereof, from the 44 last day of the month following the period for which the payment





1 would have been made had the partial abatement not been approved2 until the date of payment of the tax.

3 8. A county treasurer:

4 (a) Shall deposit any money that he or she receives pursuant to 5 subsection 5 or 7 in one or more of the funds established by a local 6 government of the county pursuant to NRS 354.6113 or 354.6115; 7 and

8 (b) May use the money deposited pursuant to paragraph (a) only9 for the purposes authorized by NRS 354.6113 and 354.6115.

9. An applicant for a partial abatement pursuant to this section
who is aggrieved by a final decision of the Office of Economic
Development may petition for judicial review in the manner
provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

14 10. For an employee to be considered a resident of Nevada for 15 the purposes of this section, a data center must maintain the 16 following documents in the personnel file of the employee:

(a) A copy of the current and valid Nevada driver's license of
the employee or a current and valid identification card for the
employee issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles;

(b) If the employee is a registered owner of one or more motor
vehicles in Nevada, a copy of the current motor vehicle registration
of at least one of those vehicles;

(c) Proof that the employee is a full-time employee; and

(d) Proof that the employee is covered by the health insurance
plan which the data center is required to provide pursuant to subsubparagraph (I) of subparagraph (3) of paragraph (d) of subsection
2 or sub-subparagraph (I) of subparagraph (3) of paragraph (e) of
subsection 2.

29 11. For the purpose of obtaining from the Executive Director 30 of the Office of Economic Development any waiver of the 31 requirements set forth in subparagraph (4) of paragraph (d) of 32 subsection 2 or subparagraph (4) of paragraph (e) of subsection 2, a 33 data center must submit to the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development written documentation of the efforts to 34 35 meet the requirements and documented proof that an insufficient number of Nevada residents is available and qualified for 36 37 employment.

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12. The Office of Economic Development:

(a) Shall adopt regulations relating to the minimum level of
health care benefits that a data center must provide to its employees
to meet the requirement set forth in paragraph (d) or (e) of
subsection 2;

(b) May adopt such other regulations as the Office determines tobe necessary to carry out the provisions of this section; and





1 (c) Shall not approve any application for a partial abatement 2 submitted pursuant to this section which is received on or after 3 January 1, 2036.

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- 13. The Nevada Tax Commission:
- (a) Shall adopt regulations regarding:
- 6 (1) The capital investment necessary to meet the requirement 7 set forth in paragraph (d) or (e) of subsection 2; and
- 8 (2) Any security that a data center is required to post to 9 qualify for a partial abatement pursuant to this section.
- 10 (b) May adopt such other regulations as the Nevada Tax 11 Commission determines to be necessary to carry out the provisions 12 of this section.
- 13 14. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise 14 requires:
- 15 (a) "Colocated business" means a person who enters into a 16 contract with a data center that is qualified to receive an abatement 17 pursuant to this section to use or occupy all or part of the data 18 center.
- 19 (b) "Data center" means one or more buildings located at one or 20 more physical locations in this State which house a group of 21 networked server computers for the purpose of centralizing the 22 storage, management and dissemination of data and information 23 pertaining to one or more businesses and includes any modular or 24 preassembled components, associated telecommunications and 25 storage systems and, if the data center includes more than one 26 building or physical location, any network or connection between 27 such buildings or physical locations.
- (c) "Full-time employee" means a person who is in a permanent
  position of employment and works an average of 30 hours per week
  during the applicable period set forth in paragraph (d) or (e) of
  subsection 2.
  - **Sec. 14.** NRS 360.757 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 33 360.757 1. The Office of Economic Development shall not 34 take any action on an application for any abatement of taxes 35 pursuant to NRS 274.310, [274.320,] 274.330, 360.750, 360.753 or 36 360.754 or any other specific statute unless the Office:
- 37 (a) Takes that action at a public meeting conducted for that 38 purpose; and
- 39 (b) At least 30 days before the meeting, provides notice of the 40 application to:
- 41 (1) The governing body of the county, the board of trustees 42 of the school district and the governing body of the city or town, if 43 any, in which the pertinent business is or will be located;
- 44 (2) The governing body of any other political subdivision45 that could be affected by the abatement; and





(3) The general public.

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2 The notice required by this section must set forth the date, 2. 3 time and location of the meeting at which the Office of Economic 4 Development will consider the application.

5 The Office of Economic Development shall 3. adopt 6 regulations relating to the notice required by this section. 7

Sec. 15. NRS 360.884 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 360.884 "Local sales and use taxes" means only the taxes 9 imposed pursuant to chapters [374,] 377, 377A and 377B of NRS imposed on the gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of 10 tangible personal property sold at retail, or stored, used or otherwise 11 12 consumed, in the county in which the qualified project is located. 13 The term does not include any taxes imposed by the Sales and Use 14 Tax Act.

Sec. 16. NRS 360.920 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 360.920 "Local sales and use taxes" means only the taxes 17 imposed pursuant to [chapters 374 and] chapter 377 of NRS on the 18 gross receipts of any retailer from the sale of tangible personal 19 property sold at retail, or stored, used or otherwise consumed, in the 20 county in which the qualified project is located. The term does not include the taxes imposed by the Sales and Use Tax Act. 21

NRS 372.397 is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 17.

23 372.397 1. A person may apply to the Office of Economic 24 Development for a deferment of the payment of the tax on the sale 25 of eligible property for a sales price of \$1,000,000 or more for use 26 by the person in a business in this State. If a purchase is made 27 outside of the State from a retailer who is not registered with the 28 Department, an application for a deferment must be made in 29 advance or, if the purchase has been made, within 60 days after the 30 date on which the tax is due. If a purchase is made in this State from 31 a retailer who is registered with the Department and to whom the tax 32 is paid, an application must be made within 60 days after the 33 payment of the tax. If the application for a deferment is approved, 34 the taxpayer is eligible for a refund of the tax paid.

2. 35 The Office of Economic Development shall certify the 36 person's eligibility for a deferment pursuant to this section if:

37 (a) The person meets the eligibility requirements set forth in 38 NRS 360.750 for a partial abatement of the taxes imposed on the 39 person pursuant to [chapter 374] chapters 361 or 363B of NRS;

40 (b) The purchase is consistent with the State Plan for Economic 41 Development developed by the Executive Director of the Office 42 pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

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(c) The Office determines that:

44 (1) The deferment is a significant factor in the decision of the 45 person to locate or expand a business in this State; and





1 (2) The eligible property will be retained at the location of 2 the person's business in this State until at least the date which is 5 3 years after the date on which the Office certifies the person's 4 eligibility for the deferment.

5  $\rightarrow$  Upon certification, the Office shall immediately forward the 6 deferment to the Nevada Tax Commission.

7 3. Upon receipt of such a certification, the Nevada Tax 8 Commission shall verify the sale, the price paid, the date of the sale 9 and the applicable period for payment of the deferred tax. It may 10 require security for the payment in an amount which does not 11 exceed the amount of tax deferred.

4. If the Office of Economic Development certifies a person'seligibility for a deferment pursuant to this section:

(a) Payment of the total amount of tax due on the sale of the
eligible property must be deferred without interest for the 60-month
period beginning on the date the Office makes that certification; and

17 (b) Payment of the tax must be made in each month, beginning 18 not later than the date which is 1 year after the date on which the 19 Office makes that certification, at a rate which is at least sufficient 20 to result in payment of the total obligation within the period 21 described in paragraph (a).

5. The Nevada Tax Commission shall adopt regulationsgoverning:

(a) The aggregation of related purchases which are made to
 expand a business, establish a new business, or renovate or replace
 eligible property; and

(b) The period within which such purchases may be aggregated.

6. As used in this section, "eligible property" does not include any of the following capital assets:

- 30 (a) Buildings or the structural components of buildings;
- 31 (b) Equipment used by a public utility;
- 32 (c) Equipment used for medical treatment;

33 (d) Machinery or equipment used in mining; or

34 (e) Machinery or equipment used in gaming.

35 **Sec. 18.** NRS 274.320, 374.356, 374.357 and 374.358 are hereby repealed.

37 Sec. 19. 1. This section and sections 1 to 5, inclusive, 7, 9, 38 10, 11 and 13 to 18, inclusive, of this act become effective on 39 July 1, 2019.

40 2. Sections 6, 8 and 12 of this act become effective on July 1, 41 2032.

42 3. Sections 5, 7 and 11 of this act expire by limitation on 43 June 30, 2032.



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## **TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS**

274.320 Abatement for expanding business in certain areas of economic development: Endorsement required; application; requirements for approval; certificate of eligibility; duration and amount of abatement; repayment required under certain circumstances; regulations; judicial review.

1. A person who intends to expand a business in this State within:

(a) A historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 632;

(b) A redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 279 of NRS;

(c) An area eligible for a community development block grant pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 570; or

(d) An enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597,

→ may submit a request to the governing body of the county, city or town in which the business operates for an endorsement of an application by the person to the Office of Economic Development for a partial abatement of the taxes imposed on capital equipment pursuant to chapter 374 of NRS. The governing body of the county, city or town shall provide notice of the request to the board of trustees of the school district in which the business operates. The notice must set forth the date, time and location of the hearing at which the governing body will consider whether to endorse the application.

2. The governing body of a county, city or town shall develop procedures for:

(a) Evaluating whether such an abatement would be beneficial for the economic development of the county, city or town.

(b) Issuing a certificate of endorsement for an application for such an abatement that is found to be beneficial for the economic development of the county, city or town.

3. A person whose application has been endorsed by the governing body of the county, city or town, as applicable, pursuant to this section may submit the application to the Office of Economic Development. The Office shall approve the application if the Office makes the following determinations:

(a) The business is consistent with:





(1) The State Plan for Economic Development developed by the Administrator pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 231.053; and

(2) Any guidelines adopted by the Administrator to implement the State Plan for Economic Development.

(b) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Office which states:

(1) The date on which the abatement becomes effective, as agreed to by the applicant and the Office, which must not be earlier than the date on which the Office received the application; and

(2) That the business will, after the date on which the abatement becomes effective:

(I) Continue in operation in the historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 632, redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 279 of NRS, area eligible for a community development block grant pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 570 or enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 for a period specified by the Office, which must be at least 5 years; and

(II) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in this subsection.

 $\rightarrow$  The agreement must bind successors in interest of the business for the specified period.

(c) The business is registered pursuant to the laws of this State or the applicant commits to obtain a valid business license and all other permits required by the county, city or town in which the business operates.

(d) The applicant invested or commits to invest a minimum of \$250,000 in capital equipment that will be retained at the location of the business in the historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 632, redevelopment area created pursuant to chapter 279 of NRS, area eligible for a community development block grant pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 570 or enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 until at least the date which is 5 years after the date on which the abatement becomes effective.

4. If the Office of Economic Development approves an application for a partial abatement, the Office shall immediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the abatement to:

(a) The Department of Taxation; and

(b) The Nevada Tax Commission.

5. If the Office of Economic Development approves an application for a partial abatement pursuant to this section:

(a) The partial abatement must be for a duration of not less than 1 year but not more than 5 years.





(b) If the abatement is from the property tax imposed pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the partial abatement must not exceed 75 percent of the taxes on personal property payable by a business each year pursuant to that chapter.

6. If a business whose partial abatement has been approved pursuant to this section and is in effect ceases:

(a) To meet the eligibility requirements for the partial abatement; or

(b) Operation before the time specified in the agreement described in paragraph (b) of subsection 3,

→ the business shall repay to the Department of Taxation the amount of the exemption that was allowed pursuant to this section before the failure of the business to comply unless the Nevada Tax Commission determines that the business has substantially complied with the requirements of this section. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.232 and 360.320, the business shall, in addition to the amount of the exemption required to be paid pursuant to this subsection, pay interest on the amount due at the rate most recently established pursuant to NRS 99.040 for each month, or portion thereof, from the last day of the month following the period for which the payment would have been made had the partial abatement not been approved until the date of payment of the tax.

7. The Office of Economic Development may adopt such regulations as the Office determines to be necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this section.

8. An applicant for an abatement who is aggrieved by a final decision of the Office of Economic Development may petition for judicial review in the manner provided in chapter 233B of NRS.

374.356 Abatement for eligible machinery or equipment used at new or expanded data center.

1. A person who intends to locate or expand a data center in this State may, pursuant to NRS 360.754, apply to the Office of Economic Development for a partial abatement from the taxes imposed by this chapter on the gross receipts from the sale, and the storage, use or other consumption, of eligible machinery or equipment for use at a data center which has been approved for a partial abatement pursuant to NRS 360.754.

2. If an application for a partial abatement is approved:

(a) For an applicant seeking an abatement pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 2 of NRS 360.754, the data center and any colocated business is eligible for an abatement from the tax imposed by this chapter for a period of not more than 10 years.

(b) For an applicant seeking an abatement pursuant to paragraph (e) of subsection 2 of NRS 360.754, the data center and any



colocated business is eligible for an abatement from the tax imposed by this chapter for a period of not more than 20 years.

(c) The abatement must be administered and carried out in the manner set forth in NRS 360.754.

3. As used in this section:

(a) "Colocated business" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 360.754.

(b) "Data center" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 360.754.

(c) "Eligible machinery or equipment" means machinery or equipment necessary to and specifically related to the business of the data center or colocated business. The term does not include vehicles, buildings or the structural components of buildings.

374.357 Abatement for eligible machinery or equipment used by certain new or expanded businesses.

1. A person who maintains a business or intends to locate a business in this State may, pursuant to NRS 360.750, apply to the Office of Economic Development for an abatement from the taxes imposed by this chapter on the gross receipts from the sale, and the storage, use or other consumption, of eligible machinery or equipment for use by a business which has been approved for an abatement pursuant to NRS 360.750.

2. If an application for an abatement is approved pursuant to NRS 360.750:

(a) The taxpayer is eligible for an abatement from the tax imposed by this chapter for not more than 2 years.

(b) The abatement must be administered and carried out in the manner set forth in NRS 360.750.

3. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "eligible machinery or equipment" means machinery or equipment for which a deduction is authorized pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 179. The term does not include:

(a) Buildings or the structural components of buildings;

- (b) Equipment used by a public utility;
- (c) Equipment used for medical treatment;
- (d) Machinery or equipment used in mining; or

(e) Machinery or equipment used in gaming.

374.358 Abatement for eligible machinery or equipment used by new or expanded businesses located in certain areas of economic development.

1. A person who maintains a business or intends to locate a business in a historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 632, redevelopment area created pursuant to NRS 279.382 to 279.687, inclusive, area eligible for a community development block grant pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 570 or



enterprise community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 in this State may, pursuant to the applicable provisions of NRS 274.310, 274.320 or 274.330, apply to the Office of Economic Development for an abatement from the taxes imposed by this chapter on the gross receipts from the sale, and the storage, use or other consumption, of eligible machinery or equipment for use by a business which has been approved for an abatement pursuant to NRS 274.310, 274.320 or 274.330.

2. If an application for an abatement is approved pursuant to NRS 274.310, 274.320 or 274.330:

(a) The taxpayer is eligible for an abatement from the tax imposed by this chapter for a duration of not less than 1 year but not more than 5 years.

(b) The abatement must be administered and carried out in the manner set forth in the applicable provisions of NRS 274.310, 274.320 or 274.330.

3. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires, "eligible machinery or equipment" means machinery or equipment for which a deduction is authorized pursuant to 26 U.S.C. § 179. The term does not include:

- (a) Buildings or the structural components of buildings;
- (b) Equipment used by a public utility;
- (c) Equipment used for medical treatment;
- (d) Machinery or equipment used in mining; or
- (e) Machinery or equipment used in gaming.



