SENATE BILL NO. 167-SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT

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Referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to taxation. (BDR 32-701)

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 taxation; revising the procedures for seeking judicial review of certain determinations of the Nevada Tax Commission or the Department of Motor Vehicles; revising provisions governing penalties for failure to pay the amount of certain determinations of the Commission or Department when due; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, the Department of Motor Vehicles administers and collects taxes imposed on fuel used in certain motor vehicles and aircraft and the Department of Taxation administers and collects certain other taxes. (Chapters 360 and 360A of NRS) Existing law requires a person who seeks judicial review of a final order of the Nevada Tax Commission or the Department of Motor Vehicles on a petition for redetermination to pay the amount of the taxes, interest and penalties determined to be due or enter into a written agreement with the Department of Taxation or the Department of Motor Vehicles, as applicable, establishing a later date by which he or she must pay that amount. (NRS 360.395, 360A.210) This bill provides that: (1) a person is authorized to seek judicial review of the final order of the Tax Commission or the Department of Motor Vehicles if he or she pays 25 percent of the amount determined to be due, excluding interest and penalties; and (2) the penalty for failure to pay a deficiency determination when it is final must not be imposed on a person seeking such judicial review unless the person fails to pay the determination when the judgment of the court becomes final or enter into an agreement to pay that amount at a later date.



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

Section 1. NRS 360.395 is hereby amended to read as follows: 360.395 1. Before a person may seek judicial review pursuant to NRS 233B.130 from a final order of the Nevada Tax Commission upon a petition for redetermination, the person must:

- (a) Pay 25 percent of the amount of the determination [;], exclusive of interest and penalties; or
- (b) Enter into a written agreement with the Department establishing a later date by which he or she must pay the amount of the determination.
- 2. If a court determines that the amount of the final order should be reduced or that the person does not owe any taxes, the Department shall credit or refund any amount paid by the person that exceeds the amount owed, with interest determined in accordance with NRS 360.2935.
 - **Sec. 2.** NRS 360.400 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 360.400 1. All determinations made by the Department under the authority of NRS 360.300 to 360.400, inclusive, are due at the time they become final.
- 2. [If] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the determination is not paid when it becomes final and the taxpayer has not entered into a written agreement with the Department for the payment of the determination, the Department shall impose a penalty of 10 percent of the amount of the determination, exclusive of interest and penalties.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Department shall not impose a penalty pursuant to subsection 2 if the taxpayer seeks judicial review pursuant to NRS 233B.130 from a final order of the Nevada Tax Commission upon a petition for redetermination and complies with the requirements of subsection 1 of NRS 360.395. If the taxpayer does not pay the amount of the determination when the judgment of the court becomes final and the taxpayer has not entered into a written agreement with the Department for the payment of the determination, the Department shall impose a penalty of 10 percent of the amount of the determination, exclusive of interest and penalties.
 - Sec. 3. NRS 360A.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 360A.210 1. Before a person may request judicial review pursuant to NRS 233B.130 from a final order of the Department upon a petition for redetermination, the person must:
- (a) Pay 25 percent of the amount of the determination [;], exclusive of interest and penalties; or





- (b) Enter into a written agreement with the Department that establishes a later date by which the person is required to pay the amount of the determination.
- 2. If a court determines that the amount of the final order should be reduced or that the person does not owe any taxes or fees, the Department shall credit or refund any amount paid by the person that exceeds the amount owed.
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 360A.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 360A.220 1. The amount specified as deficient in a determination made by the Department pursuant to the provisions of NRS 360A.100 to 360A.220, inclusive, is due at the time the determination becomes final.
- 2. **[Hf]** Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the amount specified as deficient in a determination is not paid when the determination becomes final and the person against whom the determination is made has not entered into a written agreement with the Department for the payment of the amount specified as deficient in the determination, the Department shall impose a penalty of 10 percent of the amount specified as deficient in the determination, exclusive of interest and penalties.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Department shall not impose a penalty pursuant to subsection 2 if the taxpayer seeks judicial review pursuant to NRS 233B.130 from a final order of the Department upon a petition for redetermination and complies with the requirements of subsection 1 of NRS 360A.210. If the amount specified as deficient in a determination is not paid when the judgment of the court becomes final and the person against whom the determination is made has not entered into a written agreement with the Department for the payment of the amount specified as deficient in the determination, the Department shall impose a penalty of 10 percent of the amount specified as deficient in the determination, exclusive of interest and penalties.
 - **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2021.





