SENATE BILL NO. 401–SENATORS ROBERSON, HARDY, HUTCHISON, HAMMOND, BROWER; AND KIECKHEFER

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Referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the taxation of mines and mining claims and excludes the value of certain mineral deposits from the taxable value of property. (BDR 32-910)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact. Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to taxes; contingently revising provisions governing the taxation of minerals and mining claims; revising the definition of "personal property" for purposes of taxation to exclude certain ores, quartzes and minerals; providing that the taxable value of property must exclude the value of any mineral deposit in its natural state attached to the property; revising provisions relating to the taxation under certain circumstances of certain property otherwise exempted from taxation; removing the existing exemption of unpatented mines and mining claims from property taxes; deleting certain provisions governing the assessment of patented mines and mining claims; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Section 5 of Article 10 of the Nevada Constitution provides for a tax upon the net proceeds of minerals which is separate from the tax imposed on all other property. Senate Joint Resolution No. 15, proposed by the 76th Session of the Legislature in 2011 and agreed to and passed by the 77th Session of the Legislature in 2013, proposes to repeal the constitutional provision establishing a separate tax on the net proceeds of minerals. This bill revises certain provisions governing the taxes imposed on minerals and mining claims contingent upon approval and



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8 ratification of the provisions of Senate Joint Resolution No. 15 by the voters at the 9 general election on November 4, 2014.

10 Existing law governing property taxes excepts from the definition of "personal 11 property" any gold-bearing and silver-bearing ores, quartz or minerals from which 12 gold or silver is extracted. (NRS 361.030) Section 3 of this bill removes this 13 exception. Section 4 of this bill provides that certain provisions governing the 14 taxation of certain property otherwise exempted from taxation do not apply to a 15 mine or mining claim. Section 5 of this bill provides that in determining the taxable 16 value of property, the value of any mineral deposit in its natural state attached to 17 the property must be excluded from the computation of the taxable value of the 18 property.

Section 22 of this bill: (1) removes the existing exemption of unpatented mines and mining claims from property taxes; and (2) deletes certain provisions governing the assessment of patented mines and mining claims. Sections 1, 2 and 7-21 of this bill revise provisions relating to assessed valuation consistent with the contingent repeal of Section 5 of Article 10 of the Nevada Constitution.

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

Section 1. NRS 360.690 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 360.690 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 360.730,
 the Executive Director shall estimate monthly the amount each local
 government, special district and enterprise district will receive from
 the Account pursuant to the provisions of this section.

6 2. The Executive Director shall establish a base monthly 7 allocation for each local government, special district and enterprise 8 district by dividing the amount determined pursuant to NRS 360.680 9 for each local government, special district and enterprise district by 10 12, and the State Treasurer shall, except as otherwise provided in 11 subsections 3 to 8, inclusive, remit monthly that amount to each 12 local government, special district and enterprise district.

3. If, after making the allocation to each enterprise district for 13 the month, the Executive Director determines there is not sufficient 14 15 money available in the county's subaccount in the Account to allocate to each local government and special district the base 16 17 monthly allocation determined pursuant to subsection 2, he or she shall prorate the money in the county's subaccount and allocate to 18 each local government and special district an amount equal to its 19 proportionate percentage of the total amount of the base monthly 20 allocations determined pursuant to subsection 2 for all local 21 governments and special districts within the county. The State 22 Treasurer shall remit that amount to the local government or special 23 24 district.

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 5 to 8,
 inclusive, if the Executive Director determines that there is money
 remaining in the county's subaccount in the Account after the base





1 monthly allocation determined pursuant to subsection 2 has been 2 allocated to each local government, special district and enterprise 3 district, he or she shall immediately determine and allocate each: 4

(a) Local government's share of the remaining money by:

5 (1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant 6 to NRS 360.680 by the sum of the:

7 (I) Average percentage of change in the population of the 8 local government over the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding the 9 year in which the allocation is made, as certified by the Governor 10 pursuant to NRS 360.285, except as otherwise provided in 11 subsection 9; and

12 (II) Average percentage of change in the assessed 13 valuation of the taxable property in the local government, including 14 assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency, but 15 excluding the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals. 16 over the year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the 17 Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year 18 in which the allocation is made; and

19 (2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) 20 to calculate and allocate to each local government an amount equal 21 to the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph 22 (1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to 23 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of 24 paragraph (b), respectively, for the local governments and special 25 districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount 26 available in the subaccount; and

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(b) Special district's share of the remaining money by:

28 (1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant 29 to NRS 360.680 by the average change in the assessed valuation of 30 the taxable property in the special district, including assessed 31 valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency, *[but excluding*] the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals,] over the 32 33 year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year 34 in which the allocation is made: and 35

36 (2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) 37 to calculate and allocate to each special district an amount equal to 38 the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph 39 (1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to 40 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of 41 paragraph (a), respectively, for the local governments and special districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount 42 43 available in the subaccount.

44 → The State Treasurer shall remit the amount allocated to each local 45 government or special district pursuant to this subsection.





1 Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 or 7, if the 5. 2 Executive Director determines that there is money remaining in the 3 county's subaccount in the Account after the base monthly 4 allocation determined pursuant to subsection 2 has been allocated to 5 each local government, special district and enterprise district and that [the average amount over the 5 fiscal years immediately 6 7 preceding the year in which the allocation is made of the assessed valuation of taxable property which is attributable to the net 8 proceeds of minerals in the county is equal to at least \$50,000,000 9 10 or that the average percentage of change in population of the county over the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding the year in which the 11 12 allocation is made, as certified by the Governor pursuant to NRS 13 360.285, except as otherwise provided in subsection 9, is a negative figure or that the average amount over the 5 fiscal years 14 15 immediately preceding the year in which the allocation is made of the assessed valuation of taxable property which is attributable to 16 the net proceeds of minerals in the county is equal to at least 17 18 \$50,000,000 and the average percentage of change in population of the county over the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding the year in 19 20 which the allocation is made, as certified by the Governor pursuant 21 to NRS 360.285, except as otherwise provided in subsection 9, is a 22 negative figure, the Executive Director shall immediately determine 23 and allocate each:

(a) Local government's share of the remaining money by:

(1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant
 to NRS 360.680 by 1 plus the sum of the:

(I) Average percentage of change in the population of the
local government over the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding the
year in which the allocation is made, as certified by the Governor
pursuant to NRS 360.285, except as otherwise provided in
subsection 9; and

(II) Average percentage of change in the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the local government, including assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency , [but excluding the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals,] over the year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year in which the allocation is made; and

(2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1)
to calculate and allocate to each local government an amount equal
to the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph
(1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to
subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of
paragraph (b), respectively, for the local governments and special



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districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount
 available in the subaccount; and

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(b) Special district's share of the remaining money by:

4 (1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant to NRS 360.680 by 1 plus the average change in the assessed 5 valuation of the taxable property in the special district, including 6 7 assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency, but 8 excluding the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals, 9 over the year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the 10 Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year 11 in which the allocation is made; and

12 (2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) 13 to calculate and allocate to each special district an amount equal to 14 the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph 15 (1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to 16 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a), respectively, for the local governments and special 17 18 districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount 19 available in the subaccount.

The State Treasurer shall remit the amount allocated to each local
 government or special district pursuant to this subsection.

22 Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, if the 6. 23 Executive Director determines that there is money remaining in the 24 county's subaccount in the Account after the base monthly 25 allocation determined pursuant to subsection 2 has been allocated to each local government, special district and enterprise district, that 26 27 the sum of the average percentage of change in population and the 28 average percentage of change in the assessed valuation of taxable 29 property, as calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) 30 of subsection 4 for each of those local governments, is a negative 31 figure, and that the average change in the assessed valuation of the 32 taxable property in each of those special districts, as calculated 33 pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b) of subsection 4, is a negative figure, he or she shall immediately determine and allocate 34 35 each.

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(a) Local government's share of the remaining money by:

(1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant
 to NRS 360.680 by 1 plus the sum of the:

(I) Average percentage of change in the population of the
local government over the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding the
year in which the allocation is made, as certified by the Governor
pursuant to NRS 360.285, except as otherwise provided in
subsection 9; and

44 (II) Average percentage of change in the assessed 45 valuation of the taxable property in the local government, including





assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency , [but
 excluding the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals,]
 over the year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the
 Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year
 in which the allocation is made; and

6 (2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) 7 to calculate and allocate to each local government an amount equal 8 to the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph 9 (1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to 10 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b), respectively, for the local governments and special 11 12 districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount 13 available in the subaccount; and

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(b) Special district's share of the remaining money by:

15 (1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant 16 to NRS 360.680 by 1 plus the average change in the assessed 17 valuation of the taxable property in the special district, including 18 assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency, fbut excluding the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals,] 19 20 over the year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the 21 Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year 22 in which the allocation is made; and

23 (2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) to calculate and allocate to each special district an amount equal to 24 25 the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph 26 (1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to 27 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a), respectively, for the local governments and special 28 29 districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount 30 available in the subaccount.

31 → The State Treasurer shall remit the amount allocated to each local
 32 government or special district pursuant to this subsection.

Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, if the 33 7. 34 Executive Director determines that there is money remaining in the 35 county's subaccount in the Account after the base monthly 36 allocation determined pursuant to subsection 2 has been allocated to 37 each local government, special district and enterprise district, that 38 the sum of the average percentage of change in population and the 39 average percentage of change in the assessed valuation of taxable 40 property, as calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) 41 of subsection 4 for each of those local governments, is a negative 42 figure, and that the average change in the assessed valuation of the taxable property in any of those special districts, as calculated 43 44 pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b) of subsection 4, is a





positive figure, he or she shall immediately determine and allocate
 each:

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(a) Local government's share of the remaining money by:

4 (1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant 5 to NRS 360.680 by 1 plus the sum of the:

6 (I) Average percentage of change in the population of the 7 local government over the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding the 8 year in which the allocation is made, as certified by the Governor 9 pursuant to NRS 360.285, except as otherwise provided in 10 subsection 9; and

(II) Average percentage of change in the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the local government, including assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency, [but excluding the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals,] over the year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year in which the allocation is made; and

18 (2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) 19 to calculate and allocate to each local government an amount equal 20 to the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph 21 (1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to 22 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of paragraph (b), respectively, for the local governments and special 23 24 districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount 25 available in the subaccount; and

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(b) Special district's share of the remaining money by:

(1) Multiplying one-twelfth of the amount allocated pursuant
 to NRS 360.680 by 1 plus the sum of the:

(I) Average percentage of change in the population of the
county over the 5 fiscal years immediately preceding the year in
which the allocation is made, as certified by the Governor pursuant
to NRS 360.285, except as otherwise provided in subsection 9; and

(II) Average change in the assessed valuation of the taxable property in the special district, including assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency, [but excluding the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals,] over the year in which the allocation is made, as projected by the Department, and the 4 fiscal years immediately preceding the year in which the allocation is made; and

40 (2) Using the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph (1) 41 to calculate and allocate to each special district an amount equal to 42 the proportion that the figure calculated pursuant to subparagraph 43 (1) bears to the total amount of the figures calculated pursuant to 44 subparagraph (1) of this paragraph and subparagraph (1) of 45 paragraph (a), respectively, for the local governments and special





districts located in the same county multiplied by the total amount
 available in the subaccount.

3 → The State Treasurer shall remit the amount allocated to each local
 4 government or special district pursuant to this subsection.

5 The Executive Director shall not allocate any amount to a 8. 6 local government or special district pursuant to subsection 4, 5, 6 or 7 7 unless the amount distributed and allocated to each of the local 8 governments and special districts in the county in each 9 preceding month of the fiscal year in which the allocation is to be 10 made was at least equal to the base monthly allocation determined pursuant to subsection 2. If the amounts distributed to the local 11 12 governments and special districts in the county for the preceding 13 months of the fiscal year in which the allocation is to be made were 14 less than the base monthly allocation determined pursuant to 15 subsection 2 and the Executive Director determines there is money 16 remaining in the county's subaccount in the Account after the 17 distribution for the month has been made, he or she shall:

(a) Determine the amount by which the base monthly allocations
determined pursuant to subsection 2 for each local government and
special district in the county for the preceding months of the fiscal
year in which the allocation is to be made exceeds the amounts
actually received by the local governments and special districts in
the county for the same period; and

(b) Compare the amount determined pursuant to paragraph (a) to the amount of money remaining in the county's subaccount in the Account to determine which amount is greater.

27 → If the Executive Director determines that the amount determined 28 pursuant to paragraph (a) is greater, he or she shall allocate the 29 money remaining in the county's subaccount in the Account 30 pursuant to the provisions of subsection 3. If the Executive Director 31 determines that the amount of money remaining in the county's 32 subaccount in the Account is greater, he or she shall first allocate the 33 money necessary for each local government and special district to 34 receive the base monthly allocation determined pursuant to subsection 2 and the State Treasurer shall remit that money so 35 36 allocated. The Executive Director shall allocate any additional 37 money in the county's subaccount in the Account pursuant to the 38 provisions of subsection 4, 5, 6 or 7, as appropriate.

39 9. The percentage changes in population calculated pursuant to 40 subsections 4 to 7, inclusive, must:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), if the Bureau
of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce issues
population totals that conflict with the totals certified by the
Governor pursuant to NRS 360.285, be an estimate of the change in





population for the calendar year, based upon the population totals
 issued by the Bureau of the Census.

3 (b) If a new method of determining population is established 4 pursuant to NRS 360.283, be adjusted in a manner that will result in 5 the percentage change being based on population determined 6 pursuant to the new method for both the fiscal year in which the 7 allocation is made and the fiscal year immediately preceding the 8 year in which the allocation is made.

9 (c) If a local government files a formal appeal with the Bureau 10 of the Census concerning the population total of the local 11 government issued by the Bureau of the Census, be calculated using 12 the population total certified by the Governor pursuant to NRS 13 360.285 until the appeal is resolved. If additional money is allocated 14 to the local government because the population total certified by the 15 Governor is greater than the population total issued by the Bureau of 16 the Census, the State Treasurer shall deposit that additional money 17 in a separate interest-bearing account. Upon resolution of the appeal, if the population total finally determined pursuant to the appeal is: 18

19 (1) Equal to or less than the population total initially issued 20 by the Bureau of the Census, the State Treasurer shall transfer the 21 total amount in the separate interest-bearing account, including 22 interest but excluding any administrative fees, to the Local 23 Government Tax Distribution Account for allocation among the 24 local governments in the county pursuant to subsection 4, 5, 6 or 7, 25 as appropriate.

26 (2) Greater than the population total initially issued by the 27 Bureau of the Census, the Executive Director shall calculate the 28 amount that would have been allocated to the local government 29 pursuant to subsection 4, 5, 6 or 7, as appropriate, if the population 30 total finally determined pursuant to the appeal had been used and the 31 State Treasurer shall remit to the local government an amount equal 32 to the difference between the amount actually distributed and the 33 amount calculated pursuant to this subparagraph or the total amount 34 in the separate interest-bearing account, including interest but 35 excluding any administrative fees, whichever is less.

10. On or before February 15 of each year, the Executive
Director shall provide to each local government, special district and
enterprise district a preliminary estimate of the revenue it will
receive from the Account for that fiscal year.

40 11. On or before March 15 of each year, the Executive Director 41 shall:

42 (a) Make an estimate of the receipts from each tax included in 43 the Account on an accrual basis for the next fiscal year in 44 accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, including





an estimate for each county of the receipts from each tax included in
 the Account; and

3 (b) Provide to each local government, special district and 4 enterprise district an estimate of the amount that local government, 5 special district or enterprise district would receive based upon the 6 estimate made pursuant to paragraph (a) and calculated pursuant to 7 the provisions of this section.

8 12. A local government, special district or enterprise district 9 may use the estimate provided by the Executive Director pursuant to 10 subsection 11 in the preparation of its budget.

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Sec. 2. NRS 360.695 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 360.695 1. If the population and assessed valuation of the 13 taxable property [, except any assessed valuation attributable to the net proceeds of minerals, within a local government or special 14 15 district has decreased in each of the 3 fiscal years immediately 16 preceding the current fiscal year, the Executive Director shall review the amount allocated to the local government or special 17 18 district from the Account pursuant to NRS 360.680, to determine whether to adjust the allocation. The local government or special 19 20 district may submit information to assist the Executive Director in 21 making a determination. If the Executive Director determines that 22 an adjustment to the allocation of the local government or special 23 district is necessary, the Executive Director shall submit his or her 24 findings on the matter to the Committee on Local Government 25 Finance.

26 2. The Committee on Local Government Finance shall review 27 the findings submitted by the Executive Director pursuant to subsection 1. If the Committee determines that an adjustment to the 28 29 amount allocated to the local government or special district pursuant 30 to NRS 360.680 is appropriate, the Committee shall submit a 31 recommendation to the Nevada Tax Commission that sets forth the amount of the recommended adjustment. If the Committee 32 33 determines that the adjustment is not appropriate, that decision is not 34 subject to review by the Nevada Tax Commission.

35 The Nevada Tax Commission shall schedule a public hearing within 30 days after the Committee on Local Government 36 Finance submits its recommendation. The Nevada Tax Commission 37 shall provide public notice of the hearing at least 10 days before the 38 39 date on which the hearing will be held. The Executive Director shall 40 provide copies of all documents relevant to the adjustment 41 recommended by the Committee on Local Government Finance to 42 the governing body of each local government and special district that is located in the same county as the local government or special 43 44 district that is subject to the recommended adjustment.





order the Executive Director to adjust the amount allocated to the 3 4 local government or special district pursuant to NRS 360.680. 5 **Sec. 3.** NRS 361.030 is hereby amended to read as follows: 6 361.030 "Personal property" means: 7 (a) 1. All household and kitchen furniture. [(b)] 2. 8 All law, medical and miscellaneous libraries. 9 [(c)] 3. All goods, wares and merchandise. All chattels of every kind and description, except 10 {(d)} 4. vehicles as defined in NRS 371.020. 11 [(e)] 5. 12 Stocks of goods on hand. 13 [(f)] 6. Any vehicle not included in the definition of vehicle in 14 NRS 371.020. 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ All locomotives, cars, rolling stock and other personal 16 property used in operating any railroad within the State. (h) 8. All machines and machinery, all works and 17 improvements, all steamers, vessels and watercraft of every kind 18 and name navigating or used upon the waters of any river or lake 19 within this State or having a general depot or terminus within this 20

21 State.

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22 The money, property and effects of every kind, except [(i)] 9. real estate, of all banks, banking institutions or firms, bankers, 23 24 moneylenders and brokers.

(i) 10. All property of whatever kind or nature, except vehicles as defined in NRS 371.020, not included in the term "real 25 26 27 estate" as that term is defined in NRS 361.035.

28 **12.** Gold-bearing and silver-bearing ores, quartz or minerals 29 from which gold or silver is extracted, when in the hands of the producers thereof, shall not mean, not be taken to mean, nor be 30 listed and assessed under the term "personal property" as used in 31 this section, but are specially excepted therefrom, and shall be listed, 32 assessed and taxed as provided by law.] 33

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Sec. 4. NRS 361.157 is hereby amended to read as follows:

361.157 1. When any real estate or portion of real estate 35 which for any reason is exempt from taxation is leased, loaned or 36 37 otherwise made available to and used by a natural person, 38 association, partnership or corporation in connection with a business 39 conducted for profit or as a residence, or both, the leasehold interest, 40 possessory interest, beneficial interest or beneficial use of the lessee 41 or user of the property is subject to taxation to the extent the: 42

(a) Portion of the property leased or used; and

43 (b) Percentage of time during the fiscal year that the property is 44 leased by the lessee or used by the user, in accordance with 45 NRS 361.2275,





determines that the recommended adjustment is appropriate, it shall

If, after the public hearing, the Nevada Tax Commission

can be segregated and identified. The taxable value of the interest
 or use must be determined in the manner provided in subsection 3 of
 NRS 361.227 and in accordance with NRS 361.2275.

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2. Subsection 1 does not apply to:

5 (a) Property located upon a public airport, park, market or 6 fairground, or any property owned by a public airport, unless the 7 property owned by the public airport is not located upon the public 8 airport and the property is leased, loaned or otherwise made 9 available for purposes other than for the purposes of a public airport, 10 including, without limitation, residential, commercial or industrial 11 purposes;

12 (b) Federal property for which payments are made in lieu of 13 taxes in amounts equivalent to taxes which might otherwise be 14 lawfully assessed;

15 (c) Property of any state-supported educational institution, 16 except any part of such property located within a tax increment area 17 created pursuant to NRS 278C.155;

(d) Property leased or otherwise made available to and used by a
natural person, private association, private corporation, municipal
corporation, quasi-municipal corporation or a political subdivision
under the provisions of the Taylor Grazing Act or by the United
States Forest Service or the Bureau of Reclamation of the United
States Department of the Interior;

(e) Property of any Indian or of any Indian tribe, band or
community which is held in trust by the United States or subject to a
restriction against alienation by the United States;

(f) Vending stand locations and facilities operated by persons
who are blind under the auspices of the Bureau of Services to
Persons Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired of the Rehabilitation
Division of the Department of Employment, Training and
Rehabilitation, whether or not the property is owned by the federal,
state or a local government;

(g) Leases held by a natural person, corporation, association,
 municipal corporation, quasi-municipal corporation or political
 subdivision for development of geothermal resources, but only for
 resources which have not been put into commercial production;

(h) The use of exempt property that is leased, loaned or made
available to a public officer or employee, incident to or in the course
of public employment;

40 (i) A parsonage owned by a recognized religious society or 41 corporation when used exclusively as a parsonage;

(j) Property owned by a charitable or religious organization all,
or a portion, of which is made available to and is used as a residence
by a natural person in connection with carrying out the activities of
the organization;





1 (k) Property owned by a governmental entity and used to provide shelter at a reduced rate to elderly persons or persons having 2 3 low incomes;

4 (1) The occasional rental of meeting rooms or similar facilities 5 for periods of less than 30 consecutive days;

(m) The use of exempt property to provide day care for children 6 if the day care is provided by a nonprofit organization; [or] 7

8 (n) Any lease, easement, operating agreement, license, permit or right of entry for any exempt state property granted by the 9 Department or the Regional Transportation Commission of 10 Southern Nevada pursuant to section 45 of the Boulder City Bypass 11 12 Toll Road Demonstration Project Act []; or

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(o) A mine or mining claim.

14 Taxes must be assessed to lessees or users of exempt real 3. 15 estate and collected in the same manner as taxes assessed to owners 16 of other real estate, except that taxes due under this section do not 17 become a lien against the property. When due, the taxes constitute a 18 debt due from the lessee or user to the county for which the taxes 19 were assessed and, if unpaid, are recoverable by the county in the 20 proper court of the county.

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Sec. 5. NRS 361.227 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 361.227 1. Any person determining the taxable value of real 23 property shall appraise: 24

(a) The full cash value of:

25 (1) Vacant land by considering the uses to which it may lawfully be put, any legal or physical restrictions upon those uses, 26 27 the character of the terrain, and the uses of other land in the vicinity.

28 (2) Improved land consistently with the use to which the 29 improvements are being put.

30 (b) Any improvements made on the land by subtracting from the 31 cost of replacement of the improvements all applicable depreciation 32 and obsolescence. Depreciation of an improvement made on real 33 property must be calculated at 1.5 percent of the cost of replacement 34 for each year of adjusted actual age of the improvement, up to a 35 maximum of 50 years.

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2. The unit of appraisal must be a single parcel unless:

37 (a) The location of the improvements causes two or more parcels to function as a single parcel; 38

(b) The parcel is one of a group of contiguous parcels which 39 40 qualifies for valuation as a subdivision pursuant to the regulations of 41 the Nevada Tax Commission: or

(c) In the professional judgment of the person determining the 42 43 taxable value, the parcel is one of a group of parcels which should 44 be valued as a collective unit.





1 The taxable value of a leasehold interest, possessory interest, 3. 2 beneficial interest or beneficial use for the purpose of NRS 361.157 or 361.159 must be determined in the same manner as the taxable 3 value of the property would otherwise be determined if the lessee or 4 5 user of the property was the owner of the property and it was not 6 exempt from taxation, except that the taxable value so determined 7 must be reduced by a percentage of the taxable value that is equal to 8 the:

9 (a) Percentage of the property that is not actually leased by the 10 lessee or used by the user during the fiscal year; and

(b) Percentage of time that the property is not actually leased by
the lessee or used by the user during the fiscal year, which must be
determined in accordance with NRS 361.2275.

4. The taxable value of other taxable personal property, except a mobile or manufactured home, must be determined by subtracting from the cost of replacement of the property all applicable depreciation and obsolescence. Depreciation of a billboard must be calculated at 1.5 percent of the cost of replacement for each year after the year of acquisition of the billboard, up to a maximum of 50 years.

5. In determining the taxable value of property, the value of any mineral deposit in its natural state attached to the land must be excluded from the computation of the taxable value of the property.

6. The computed taxable value of any property must not exceed its full cash value. Each person determining the taxable value of property shall reduce it if necessary to comply with this requirement. A person determining whether taxable value exceeds that full cash value or whether obsolescence is a factor in valuation may consider:

31 (a) Comparative sales, based on prices actually paid in market 32 transactions.

(b) A summation of the estimated full cash value of the land andcontributory value of the improvements.

(c) Capitalization of the fair economic income expectancy or fair
 economic rent, or an analysis of the discounted cash flow.

 \Rightarrow A county assessor is required to make the reduction prescribed in this subsection if the owner calls to his or her attention the facts warranting it, if the county assessor discovers those facts during physical reappraisal of the property or if the county assessor is otherwise aware of those facts.

42 **[6.]** 7. The Nevada Tax Commission shall, by regulation, 43 establish:

44 (a) Standards for determining the cost of replacement of 45 improvements of various kinds.





1 (b) Standards for determining the cost of replacement of personal property of various kinds. The standards must include a 2 separate index of factors for application to the acquisition cost of a 3 4 billboard to determine its replacement cost.

(c) Schedules of depreciation for personal property based on its 5 6 estimated life.

7 (d) Criteria for the valuation of two or more parcels as a 8 subdivision.

9 **7.** 8. In determining, for the purpose of computing taxable 10 value, the cost of replacement of:

11 (a) Any personal property, the cost of all improvements of the 12 personal property, including any additions to or renovations of the personal property, but excluding routine maintenance and repairs, 13 14 must be added to the cost of acquisition of the personal property.

15 (b) An improvement made on land, a county assessor may use 16 any final representations of the improvement prepared by the 17 architect or builder of the improvement, including, without 18 limitation, any final building plans, drawings, sketches and surveys, 19 and any specifications included in such representations, as a basis 20 for establishing any relevant measurements of size or quantity.

21 **18.** 9. The county assessor shall, upon the request of the 22 owner, furnish within 15 days to the owner a copy of the most 23 recent appraisal of the property, including, without limitation, copies 24 of any sales data, materials presented on appeal to the county board 25 of equalization or State Board of Equalization and other materials 26 used to determine or defend the taxable value of the property.

27 **10.** The provisions of this section do not apply to property 28 which is assessed pursuant to NRS 361.320. 29

Sec. 6. NRS 361.2285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 361.2285 The Nevada Tax Commission shall adopt regulations 31 which:

32 1. Provide for the creation of a simple, easily understood form 33 which may be completed by the owner of any real property used to 34 conduct a business and used to:

35 (a) Compute and determine the value of the property using the 36 income approach and to compare that value to the existing taxable 37 value of the property to determine the existence of any 38 obsolescence: and

39 (b) Apply to the appropriate county assessor or board of equalization for computation of the taxable value of the property in 40 41 accordance with subsection [5] 6 of NRS 361.227.

Clearly set forth the methodology for applying the income 42 2. 43 approach to valuation for tax purposes of real property used to 44 conduct a business to determine whether obsolescence is a factor.





The methodology must be described in a manner that may be easily
 understood by the owners of such property.

3 3. Will make available to the owner of any real property used 4 to conduct a business information that will allow the owner to apply 5 the income approach to establish the full cash value of the property 6 for the purpose of comparing that value to the taxable value 7 established by the county assessor.

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Sec. 7. NRS 361.390 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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361.390 Each county assessor shall:

10 1. File with or cause to be filed with the Secretary of the State 11 Board of Equalization, on or before March 10 of each year, the tax 12 roll, or a true copy thereof, of his or her county for the current year 13 as corrected by the county board of equalization.

14 Prepare and file with the Department on or before 2. 15 January 31, March 5 and October 31 of each year, a segregation 16 report showing the assessed values for each taxing entity within the 17 county on a form prescribed by the Department. The assessor shall make projections of assessed value for the current fiscal year and the 18 upcoming fiscal year regarding real and personal property for which 19 the taxable value is determined by the assessor. The Department 20 21 shall make any projections required for the upcoming fiscal year 22 regarding [the net proceeds of minerals and] any property for which 23 the taxable value is determined by the Nevada Tax Commission.

3. Prepare and file with the Department on or before May 5 for the unsecured roll, on or before August 10 for the secured roll, and on or before October 31 for the unsecured roll and the secured roll, a statistical report showing values for all categories of property on a form prescribed by the Department.

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Sec. 8. NRS 361.405 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 361.405 1. The Secretary of the State Board of Equalization 31 forthwith shall certify any change made by the Board in the assessed 32 valuation of any property in whole or in part to the county auditor of 33 the county where the property is assessed, and whenever the 34 valuation of any property is raised, the Secretary of the State Board 35 of Equalization shall forward by certified mail to the property owner 36 or owners affected, notice of the increased valuation.

As soon as changes resulting from cases having a substantial
effect on tax revenues have been certified to the county auditor by
the Secretary of the State Board of Equalization, the county auditor
shall:

(a) Enter all such changes and the value of any construction
work in progress [and net proceeds of minerals] which were
certified to him or her by the Department, on the assessment roll
before the delivery thereof to the tax receiver.





1 (b) Add up the valuations and enter the total valuation of each 2 kind of property and the total valuation of all property on the 3 assessment roll.

(c) Certify the results to the board of county commissioners and 4 5 the Department.

6 3. [The board of county commissioners shall not levy a tax on 7 the net proceeds of minerals added to the assessed valuation pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 2, but, except as otherwise 8 9 provided by specific statute, the net proceeds of minerals must be included in the assessed valuation of the taxable property of the 10 county and all local governments in the county for the determination 11 of the rate of tax and all other purposes for which assessed valuation 12 13 is used.

14 4. As soon as changes resulting from cases having less than a 15 substantial effect on tax revenue have been certified to the county 16 tax receiver by the Secretary of the State Board of Equalization, the 17 county tax receiver shall adjust the assessment roll or the tax 18 statement or make a tax refund, as directed by the State Board of 19 Equalization.

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Sec. 9. NRS 377B.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 377B.170 1. In a county whose population is 700,000 or 22 more and in which a water authority exists, the water authority shall 23 enter into an interlocal agreement with a city or town located in the 24 county whose territory is not within the boundaries of the area 25 served by the water authority or with a public entity in the county 26 which provides water or wastewater services and which is not a member of the water authority to provide a distribution from the 27 infrastructure fund of the water authority to the city, town or public 28 entity after the city, town or public entity has filed with the water 29 30 authority a detailed plan for acquiring, establishing, constructing, 31 improving or equipping, or any combination thereof, a water or 32 wastewater facility.

33 2. Such a city, town or public entity may request annually from 34 the infrastructure fund of the water authority an amount of the 35 proceeds of the tax for infrastructure received annually by the water 36 authority that is equal to the proportion that the assessed valuation 37 of taxable property within the boundaries of the city or town or the area served by the public entity [, except any assessed valuation 38 39 attributable to the net proceeds of minerals, bears to the total assessed valuation of taxable property within the county. [, except 40 any assessed valuation attributable to the net proceeds of minerals. 41 If the boundaries of such a city or town overlap with the boundaries 42 43 of a public entity in such a county which provides water or 44 wastewater services and which is not a member of the water 45 authority, the water authority shall apportion equally between the





city or town and the public entity the distribution from the
 infrastructure fund attributable to the assessed valuation in the area
 where the boundaries overlap.

4 3. The water authority shall not unreasonably refuse a request 5 from such a city, town or public entity for a distribution from the 6 infrastructure fund pursuant to the provisions of this section.

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Sec. 10. NRS 349.238 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 349.238 1. There must be levied annually a special tax on all 9 property, both real and personal, subject to taxation within the 10 boundaries of the State of Nevada, fully sufficient together with the 11 revenue which will result from application of the rate to the net 12 proceeds of minerals, without regard to any statutory limitations 13 now or hereafter existing, to pay the interest on the general 14 obligation state securities and to pay and retire the securities as 15 provided in the State Securities Law and in any act supplemental 16 hereto. The amount of money to be raised by the tax must be 17 included in the annual estimate or budget for each county in the state for each year for which the tax is hereby required to be levied. 18 19 The tax must be levied and collected in the same manner and at the 20 same time as other taxes are levied and collected.

21 2. The proceeds thereof levied to pay interest on the securities 22 must be kept by the State Treasurer in a special fund, separate and 23 apart from all other funds, and the proceeds of the tax levied to pay 24 the principal of the securities must be kept by the Treasurer in a 25 special fund, separate and apart from all other funds. The two special funds must be used for no other purpose than the payment of 26 27 the interest on the securities and the principal thereof, respectively, 28 when due.

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Sec. 11. NRS 350.592 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 350.592 There must be levied annually in due season a 1. special tax on all property, both real and personal, subject to 31 32 taxation within the boundaries of the municipality, fully sufficient Itogether with the revenue which will result from application of the 33 34 rate to the net proceeds of minerals, without regard to any statutory 35 or charter tax limitations other than the limitation set forth in NRS 36 361.453, to pay the interest on the general obligation municipal 37 securities and to pay and retire the securities as provided in the 38 Local Government Securities Law and in any act supplemental 39 hereto. The amount of money to be raised by the tax must be 40 included in the annual estimate or budget for each county within the 41 state for each year for which the tax is hereby required to be levied. 42 The tax must be levied and collected in the same manner and at the 43 same time as other taxes are levied and collected.

44 2. The proceeds thereof levied to pay interest on the securities 45 must be kept by the treasurer in a special fund, separate and apart





1 from all other funds, and the proceeds of the tax levied to pay the 2 principal of the securities must be kept by the treasurer in a special fund, separate and apart from all other funds. The two special funds 3 4 must be used for no other purpose than the payment of the interest 5 on the securities and the principal thereof, respectively, when due; 6 but, except as prevented by any contractual limitations imposed upon the municipality by proceedings appertaining to its outstanding 7 securities, the municipality may provide for a consolidated debt 8 9 service fund to pay principal of and interest on outstanding 10 securities, when due.

11 Sec. 12. NRS 354.59811 is hereby amended to read as 12 follows:

13 354.59811 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 244.377, 1. 14 278C.260, 354.59813, 354.59815, 354.59818, 354.5982, 354.5987, 15 354.705, 354.723, 450.425, 450.760, 540A.265 and 543.600, for 16 each fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 1989, the maximum 17 amount of money that a local government, except a school district, a 18 district to provide a telephone number for emergencies or a redevelopment agency, may receive from taxes ad valorem, other 19 than those *fattributable to the net proceeds of minerals or those* 20 21 levied for the payment of bonded indebtedness and interest thereon 22 incurred as general long-term debt of the issuer, or for the payment 23 of obligations issued to pay the cost of a water project pursuant to 24 NRS 349.950, or for the payment of obligations under a capital lease 25 executed before April 30, 1981, must be calculated as follows:

26 (a) The rate must be set so that when applied to the current fiscal 27 year's assessed valuation of all property which was on the preceding 28 fiscal year's assessment roll, together with the assessed valuation of 29 property on the central assessment roll which was allocated to the 30 local government, but excluding any *lassessed valuation attributable* 31 to the net proceeds of minerals, assessed valuation attributable to a redevelopment area and assessed valuation of a fire protection 32 33 district attributable to real property which is transferred from private 34 ownership to public ownership for the purpose of conservation, it will produce 106 percent of the maximum revenue allowable from 35 36 taxes ad valorem for the preceding fiscal year, except that the rate so 37 determined must not be less than the rate allowed for the previous 38 fiscal year, except for any decrease attributable to the imposition of 39 a tax pursuant to NRS 354.59813 in the previous year.

(b) This rate must then be applied to the total assessed valuation,
excluding [the assessed valuation attributable to the net proceeds of
minerals and] the assessed valuation of a fire protection district
attributable to real property which is transferred from private
ownership to public ownership for the purpose of conservation, but
including new real property, possessory interests and mobile homes,





for the current fiscal year to determine the allowed revenue from
 taxes ad valorem for the local government.

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2. As used in this section, "general long-term debt" does not
include debt created for medium-term obligations pursuant to NRS
5 350.087 to 350.095, inclusive.

6 Sec. 13. NRS 354.59813 is hereby amended to read as 7 follows:

8 354.59813 1. In addition to the allowed revenue from taxes 9 ad valorem determined pursuant to NRS 354.59811, if the estimate 10 of the revenue available from the supplemental city-county relief tax 11 to the county as determined by the Executive Director of the 12 Department of Taxation pursuant to the provisions of subsection 11 13 of NRS 360.690 is less than the amount of money that would be 14 generated by applying a tax rate of \$1.15 per \$100 of assessed 15 valuation to the assessed valuation of the county, lexcept any 16 assessed valuation attributable to the net proceeds of minerals, the governing body of each local government may levy an additional 17 18 tax ad valorem for operating purposes. The total tax levied by the governing body of a local government pursuant to this section must 19 20 not exceed a rate calculated to produce revenue equal to the 21 difference between the:

(a) Amount of revenue from supplemental city-county relief tax
 estimated to be received by the county pursuant to subsection 11 of
 NRS 360.690; and

(b) The tax that the county would have been estimated to receive if the estimate for the total revenue available from the tax was equal to the amount of money that would be generated by applying a tax rate of \$1.15 per \$100 of assessed valuation to the assessed valuation of the county,

→ multiplied by the proportion determined for the local government
 pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 4 of
 NRS 360.690, subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 6 of
 NRS 360.690 or subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 7
 of NRS 360.690, as appropriate.

2. Any additional taxes ad valorem levied as a result of the application of this section must not be included in the base from which the allowed revenue from taxes ad valorem for the next subsequent year is computed.

39 3. As used in this section, "local government" has the meaning 40 ascribed to it in NRS 360.640.

41 Sec. 14. NRS 354.598747 is hereby amended to read as 42 follows:

43 354.598747 1. To calculate the amount to be distributed
44 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 360.680 and 360.690 from a
45 county's subaccount in the Local Government Tax Distribution



Account to a local government, special district or enterprise district
 after it assumes the functions of another local government, special
 district or enterprise district:

4 (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Executive 5 Director of the Department of Taxation shall:

6 (1) Add the amounts calculated pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 7 of NRS 360.680 for each local government, special district or 8 enterprise district and allocate the combined amount to the local 9 government, special district or enterprise district that assumes the 10 functions; and

11 (2) If applicable, add the average change in population and 12 average change in the assessed valuation of taxable property that 13 would otherwise be allowed to the local government or special 14 district whose functions are assumed, including the assessed 15 valuation attributable to a redevelopment agency, *but excluding* 16 the portion attributable to the net proceeds of minerals, pursuant to 17 subsection 4, 5, 6 or 7 of NRS 360.690, as appropriate, to the 18 average change in population and average change in assessed 19 valuation for the local government, special district or enterprise 20 district that assumes the functions.

(b) If two or more local governments, special districts or enterprise districts assume the functions of another local government, special district or enterprise district, the additional revenue must be divided among the local governments, special districts or enterprise districts that assume the functions on the basis of the proportionate costs of the functions assumed.

27 → The Nevada Tax Commission shall not allow any increase in the 28 allowed revenue from the taxes contained in the county's 29 subaccount in the Local Government Tax Distribution Account if 30 the increase would result in a decrease in revenue of any local 31 government, special district or enterprise district in the county that 32 does not assume those functions. If more than one local government, 33 special district or enterprise district assumes the functions, the Nevada Tax Commission shall determine the appropriate amounts 34 35 calculated pursuant to subparagraphs (1) and (2) of paragraph (a).

2. If a city disincorporates, the board of county commissioners of the county in which the city is located must determine the amount the unincorporated town created by the disincorporation will receive pursuant to the provisions of NRS 360.600 to 360.740, inclusive.

40 3. As used in this section:

41 (a) "Enterprise district" has the meaning ascribed to it in 42 NRS 360.620.

43 (b) "Local government" has the meaning ascribed to it in 44 NRS 360.640.





1 (c) "Special district" has the meaning ascribed to it in 2 NRS 360.650.

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Sec. 15. NRS 380.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 380.130 1. Whenever it appears to the board of county 5 commissioners of any county having a law library that for any 6 reason any debt incurred in the purchase and establishment of the library has not been fully paid or materially reduced with the money 7 8 provided by the provisions of NRS 380.110, within the period of 5 9 years immediately preceding, the board of county commissioners 10 may, at the next annual tax levy, levy a special tax upon all taxable property within the county, both real and personal, sufficient $\frac{1}{12}$ 11 12 together with the revenue which will result from application of the 13 rate to the net proceeds of minerals, to raise a sum which will 14 discharge any such indebtedness, but no more. The money must be 15 placed in the law library fund in the county treasury and must be 16 used for the payment of the indebtedness and for no other purpose.

17 2. In lieu of the levy of a special tax as provided in subsection 18 1, the board of county commissioners of any county having a law library may, in the discretion of the board of county commissioners. 19 20 transfer from the general funds of the county to the law library fund 21 a sufficient sum of money to pay any debts incurred in the purchase 22 and establishment and maintenance of the library, which has not been fully paid or materially reduced with the money provided by 23 24 the provisions of NRS 380.110, within the period of 5 years 25 immediately preceding March 1, 1959.

Sec. 16. NRS 387.1235 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 387.1235 [1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, local]

29 *Local* funds available are the sum of:

30 **(a)** *1*. The amount of one-third of the tax collected pursuant to 31 subsection 1 of NRS 387.195 for the school district for the 32 concurrent school year; and

33 (b) 2. The proceeds of the local school support tax imposed by chapter 374 of NRS, excluding any amounts required to be 34 35 remitted pursuant to NRS 360.850 and 360.855. The Department of Taxation shall furnish an estimate of these proceeds to the 36 37 Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before July 15 for the 38 fiscal year then begun, and the Superintendent shall adjust the final 39 apportionment of the current school year to reflect any difference 40 between the estimate and actual receipts.

41 [2. The amount computed under subsection 1 that is
42 attributable to any assessed valuation attributable to the net proceeds
43 of minerals must be held in reserve and may not be considered as
44 local funds available until the succeeding fiscal year.]





Sec. 17. NRS 387.195 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 387.195 1. Each board of county commissioners shall levy a 3 tax of 75 cents on each \$100 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the county for the support of the public schools 4 5 within the county school district.

6 [The tax collected pursuant to subsection 1 on any assessed 2. 7 valuation attributable to the net proceeds of minerals must not be considered as available to pay liabilities of the fiscal year in which 8 9 the tax is collected but must be deferred for use in the subsequent fiscal year. The annual budget for the school district must only 10 11 consider as an available source the tax on the net proceeds of 12 minerals which was collected in the prior year.

13 -3.1 In addition to any tax levied in accordance with subsection 14 1, each board of county commissioners shall levy a tax for the 15 payment of interest and redemption of outstanding bonds of the 16 county school district.

17 [4.] 3. The tax collected pursuant to subsection 1 and any 18 interest earned from the investment of the proceeds of that tax must 19 be credited to the county's school district fund.

The tax collected pursuant to subsection $\frac{13}{12}$ and any 20 [5.] **4**. 21 interest earned from the investment of the proceeds of that tax must be credited to the county school district's debt service fund. 22

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Sec. 18. NRS 450.660 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 450.660 1. At the time of making the levy of county taxes for 25 that year, each board of trustees shall levy a tax sufficient [, together 26 with the revenue which will result from application of the rate to the 27 net proceeds of minerals, to raise the amount so budgeted upon any 28 real and personal property that is subject to taxation within the 29 boundaries of the district. Any tax levied on interstate or intercounty 30 telephone lines, power lines and other public utility lines pursuant to 31 this section must be based upon valuations as established by the Nevada Tax Commission pursuant to the provisions of NRS 32 33 361.315 to 361.330, inclusive.

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When levied, the tax must be: 2.

35 (a) Entered upon the assessment rolls of each county that is 36 included within the district; and 37

(b) Collected in the same manner as state and county taxes.

38 When the tax is collected it must be: 3.

39 (a) Placed in the treasury of the county in which the district 40 hospital is located;

(b) Credited to the current expense fund of the district; and

(c) Used only for the purpose for which it was raised. 42

Sec. 19. NRS 474.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 474.190 1. Subject to the provisions of subsection 3, the 45 board of directors of each county fire protection district shall





1 prepare annual budgets in accordance with NRS 354.470 to 354.626, inclusive.

2. The budget of a district must be based on estimates of the amount of money that will be needed to defray the expenses of the district and to meet unforeseen emergencies and the amount of a fire protection tax sufficient [, together with the revenue which will result from application of the rate to the net proceeds of minerals,] to raise such sums.

9 3. The amount of money to be raised for the purpose of establishing, equipping and maintaining the district with firefighting facilities must not in any 1 year exceed 1 percent of the assessed value of the property described in NRS 474.200. [and any net proceeds of minerals derived from within the boundaries of the district.]

Sec. 20. NRS 474.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 474.510 1. The board of fire commissioners shall prepare an 17 annual budget in accordance with the provisions of NRS 354.470 to 18 354.626, inclusive, for each district organized in accordance with 19 NRS 474.460.

20 2. Each budget must be based on estimates of the amount of 21 money which will be needed to defray the expenses of the district 22 and to meet unforeseen emergencies and the amount of a fire 23 protection tax sufficient [, together with the revenue which will 24 result from application of the rate to the net proceeds of minerals,] 25 to raise such sums.

26 At the time of making the levy of county taxes for the year, 3. 27 the board of county commissioners shall levy the tax provided by 28 subsection 2, upon all property, both real and personal, subject to taxation within the boundaries of the district. Any tax levied on 29 30 interstate or intercounty telephone lines, power lines and other 31 public utility lines as authorized in this section must be based upon 32 valuations established by the Nevada Tax Commission pursuant to 33 the provisions of NRS 361.315 to 361.330, inclusive.

4. The amount of tax to be collected for the purposes of this
section must not exceed, in any 1 year, 1 percent of the value of the
property described in subsection 3 . [and any net proceeds of
minerals derived from within the boundaries of the district.]

5. If levied, the tax must be entered upon the assessment roll and collected in the same manner as state and county taxes. Taxes may be paid in four approximately equal installments at the times specified in NRS 361.483, and the same penalties as specified in NRS 361.483 must be added for failure to pay the taxes.

43 6. For the purposes of NRS 474.460 to 474.540, inclusive, the 44 treasurer of the district shall keep two separate funds for each 45 district, one to be known as the district fire protection operating



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1 fund and one to be known as the district emergency fund. The money collected to defray the expenses of any district organized 2 pursuant to NRS 474.460 must be deposited in the district fire 3 protection operating fund, and the money collected to meet 4 unforeseen emergencies must be deposited in the district emergency 5 6 fund. The district emergency fund must be used solely for emergencies and must not be used for regular operating expenses. 7 8 The money deposited in the district emergency fund must not 9 exceed the sum of \$1,000,000. Any interest earned on the money in 10 the district emergency fund that causes the balance in that fund to 11 exceed \$1,000,000 must be credited to the district fire protection 12 operating fund.

13 7. For the purposes of subsection 6, an emergency includes,14 without limitation, any event that:

15 (a) Causes widespread or severe damage to property or injury to 16 or the death of persons within the district;

(b) As determined by the district fire chief, requires immediate
action to protect the health, safety and welfare of persons who reside
within the district; and

(c) Requires the district to provide money to obtain a matching
 grant from an agency of the Federal Government to repair damage
 caused by a natural disaster that occurred within the district.

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Sec. 21. NRS 514A.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

514A.060 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Commission shall provide oversight of compliance with Nevada law relating to the activities of each state agency, board, bureau, commission, department or division with respect to the taxation, operation, safety and environmental regulation of mines and mining in this State, including, without limitation, the activities of:

1. The Nevada Tax Commission and the Department of
 Taxation in the taxation of the net proceeds of minerals pursuant to
 chapter 362 of NRS . [and Section 5 of Article 10 of the Nevada
 Constitution.]

2. The Division of Industrial Relations of the Department of
Business and Industry in administering the provisions of chapter
512 of NRS concerning the safe and healthful working conditions at
mines.

38 3. The Commission on Mineral Resources and the Division of 39 Minerals of the Commission in the administration of the provisions 40 of chapters 513 and 522 of NRS concerning the conduct of mining 41 operations and operations for the production of oil, gas and 42 geothermal energy in the State.

43 4. The Bureau of Mines and Geology of the State of Nevada in 44 the Public Service Division of the Nevada System of Higher





Education in its administration of the provisions of chapter 514 of
 NRS.

5. The Division of Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in its administration of the provisions of chapter 519A of NRS concerning the reclamation of mined land, areas of exploration and former areas of mining or exploration.

8 Sec. 22. NRS 361.075, 362.030, 362.040, 362.050, 362.060,
9 362.070, 362.090 and 362.095 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 23. This act becomes effective on January 1, 2015, if and only if the provisions of Senate Joint Resolution No. 15, proposed by the 76th Session of the Legislature and agreed to and passed by the 77th Session of the Legislature, are approved and ratified by the voters at the general election on November 4, 2014.

LEADLINES OF REPEALED SECTIONS

361.075 Exemption of unpatented mines and mining claims. 362.030 County assessor to assess surface of patented mines and mining claims; exceptions.

362.040 Exclusion of assessment from roll.

362.050 Affidavit of labor: Requirement for exemption of surface of patented mine or mining claim from taxation; form and contents.

362.060 Who may make affidavit.

362.070 Contiguous patented mines or mining claims: Performance of work on one mine.

362.090 One affidavit may be recorded for labor on several patented mines or mining claims.

362.095 Method of taxation of patented mine or mining claim used for purpose other than mining or agriculture.





