## Amendment No. 421

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 229					(BDR 21-910)		
Proposed by: Committee on Government Affairs							
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Amend sec. 2, page 1, by deleting line 5 and inserting:

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

Amend sec. 2, page 2, by deleting lines 1 through 6 and inserting:

" → may submit a request to the governing body of the county, city or town in which the business would operate for an endorsement of an application by the person to the Commission on Economic Development 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, city or town shall provide notice of the request to the board of trustees of the school district in which the business would operate. 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:

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- (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 Commission on Economic Development. The Commission shall approve the application if the Commission makes the following".

Amend sec. 2, page 2, line 18, by deleting:

"specially benefited zone," and inserting:

"historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 632,".

Amend sec. 2, page 2, by deleting lines 33 through 40 and inserting:

"\$500,000 in capital.".

Amend sec. 2, page 3, by deleting lines 5 through 8 and inserting:

"5. The Commission on Economic Development may adopt such regulations as the Commission".

Amend sec. 3, page 3, by deleting line 17 and inserting:

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

Amend sec. 3, page 3, by deleting lines 24 through 29 and inserting:

"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 Commission on 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 Commission on Economic Development. The Commission shall approve the application if the Commission makes the following".

Amend sec. 3, page 3, line 40, by deleting:

"specially benefited zone," and inserting:

"historically underutilized business zone, as defined in 15 U.S.C. § 632,".

Amend sec. 3, page 4, by deleting lines 10 through 17 and inserting:

"\$250,000 in capital equipment.".

Amend sec. 3, page 4, by deleting lines 24 through 27 and inserting:

"5. The Commission on Economic Development may adopt such regulations as the Commission".

Amend sec. 4, page 4, by deleting lines 34 through 40 and inserting:

- "Sec. 4. 1. A person who owns a business which is located 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 the county, city or town in which the business is located for an endorsement of an application by the person to the Commission on Economic Development 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, 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 Commission on Economic Development. The Commission shall approve the application if the Commission makes the following".

Amend sec. 4, page 5, by deleting lines 5 through 7 and inserting:

"pursuant to subsection 4:

- (1) Continue in operation in the enterprise community for a period specified by the Commission, which must be at least 5 years; and
  - (2) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in this subsection.

## **→** The agreement".

Amend sec. 4, page 5, by deleting lines 15 through 20 and inserting:

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

Amend sec. 4, page 5, by deleting lines 25 through 31.

Amend sec. 4, pages 5 and 6, by deleting line 45 on page 5 and lines 1 through 5 on page 6, and inserting:

"(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.".

Amend the bill as a whole by adding new sections designated sections 6 through 8, following sec. 5, to read as follows:

- "Sec. 6. 1. A person who intends to locate a grocery store within the Southern Nevada Enterprise Community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 during Fiscal Year 2004-2005 or 2005-2006 may submit a request to the governing body of the county, city or town in which the grocery store would operate for endorsement of an application by the person to the Commission on Economic Development 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, city or town shall provide notice of the request to the board of trustees of the school district in which the business would operate. 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 Commission. The Commission shall approve the application if the Commission makes the following determinations:
- (a) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Commission which states that the grocery store will, after the date on which a certificate of eligibility for the abatement is issued pursuant to subsection 4:
- (1) Commence operation and continue in operation in the Southern Nevada Enterprise

  Community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 for a period specified by the Commission,
  which must be at least 5 years; and
  - (2) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in this subsection.
- → The agreement must bind successors in interest of the grocery store for the specified period.
- (b) The grocery store 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 grocery store will operate.
  - (c) The applicant invested or commits to invest a minimum of \$500,000 in capital.
- 4. If the Commission on Economic Development approves an application for a partial abatement, the Commission shall immediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the abatement to:
  - (a) The Department of Taxation;
  - (b) The Nevada Tax Commission; and

- (c) If the partial abatement is from the property tax imposed pursuant to chapter 361 of NRS, the county treasurer of the county in which the grocery store will be located.
- 5. The Commission on Economic Development may adopt such regulations as the Commission determines to be necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this section.
- 6. An applicant for an abatement who is aggrieved by a final decision of the Commission on Economic Development may petition for judicial review in the manner provided in chapter 233B of NRS.
  - 7. As used in this section:
- (a) "Grocery store" means a business selling at retail groceries, including, without limitation, food for human consumption, articles used in the preparation of food, household supplies, dairy products, meat and produce, and having more than 10,000 square feet of floor space available to the public.
  - (b) "Selling at retail" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 372.050.
- **Sec. 7.** 1. A person who intends to expand a grocery store or expand a business to become a grocery store within the Southern Nevada Enterprise Community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 during Fiscal Year 2004-2005 or 2005-2006 may submit a request to the governing body of the county, city or town in which the business operates for endorsement of an application by the person to the Commission on 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 Commission. The Commission shall approve the application if the Commission makes the following determinations:
- (a) The applicant has executed an agreement with the Commission which states that the grocery store will, after the date on which a certificate of eligibility for the abatement is issued pursuant to subsection 4:
- (1) Continue in operation in the Southern Nevada Enterprise Community established pursuant to 24 C.F.R. Part 597 for a period specified by the Commission, which must be at least 5 years; and
  - (2) Continue to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in this subsection.
- → The agreement must bind successors in interest of the grocery store for the specified period.
- (b) The grocery store 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 grocery store operates.
  - (c) The applicant invested or commits to invest a minimum of \$250,000 in capital equipment.
- 4. If the Commission on Economic Development approves an application for a partial abatement, the Commission shall immediately forward a certificate of eligibility for the abatement to:
  - (a) The Department of Taxation; and
  - (b) The Nevada Tax Commission.

- 5. The Commission on Economic Development may adopt such regulations as the Commission determines to be necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this section.
- 6. An applicant for an abatement who is aggrieved by a final decision of the Commission on Economic Development may petition for judicial review in the manner provided in chapter 233B of NRS.
  - 7. As used in this section:
- (a) "Grocery store" means a business selling at retail groceries, including, without limitation, food for human consumption, articles used in the preparation of food, household supplies, dairy products, meat and produce, and having more than 10,000 square feet of floor space available to the public.
  - (b) "Selling at retail" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 372.050.
- **Sec. 8.** During the Fiscal Years 2005-2006 and 2006-2007, the Commission on Economic Development shall, until the Commission has granted \$1,000,000 in partial abatements pursuant to sections 2, 3, 6 and 7 of this act, give priority to and expedite the processing of applications received by the Commission pursuant to section 6 or 7 of this act."

Amend the title of the bill, fifth line, after "wages;" by inserting:

"providing a temporary tax incentive for locating or expanding businesses that are or will become grocery stores within the Southern Nevada Enterprise Community;".