

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—
COMMITTEE ON REVENUE

MARCH 17, 2011

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Rejects Initiative Petition No. 1. (BDR R-1153)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Rejecting Initiative Petition No. 1.

1 WHEREAS, Initiative Petition No. 1 would impose an additional
2 sales and use tax in certain areas of larger counties in Nevada for the
3 construction, improvement, equipment, operation and maintenance
4 of a sports and entertainment arena through public and private
5 cooperation; and

6 WHEREAS, Initiative Petition No. 1 would result in a disparate
7 rate of sales and use taxation within a single county; and

8 WHEREAS, The State of Nevada is facing a budget crisis that
9 poses serious challenges to the residents of Nevada; and

10 WHEREAS, This Legislature is confronting issues daily that
11 threaten the level of funding to essential services such as education,
12 public safety and transportation; and

13 WHEREAS, The taxes generated by Initiative Petition No. 1 will
14 not be available to support any of the services essential to the
15 residents of Nevada; and

16 WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of Clark
17 County has declined on several occasions to adopt a tax increase for
18 an arena as proposed by Initiative Petition No. 1; and

19 WHEREAS, Initiative Petition No. 1 circumvents the authority of
20 the Board of County Commissioners of Clark County to make
21 decisions that are traditionally the prerogative of local government,
22 such as land use, zoning and transportation matters; and

23 WHEREAS, Initiative Petition No. 1 creates transportation and
24 infrastructure costs to Clark County that are not covered by the
25 proposed funding mechanisms; and



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1 WHEREAS, Section 2 of Article 19 of the Nevada Constitution
2 authorizes the Legislature to propose a competing measure to
3 Initiative Petition No. 1; and

4 WHEREAS, There are alternatives to Initiative Petition No. 1 that
5 could be proposed by the Legislature that would better serve the
6 interests of the residents of the State of Nevada; and

7 WHEREAS, This Legislature intends to propose a competing
8 measure for submission to the voters on the November 2012 general
9 election ballot; now, therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
11 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 76th Session of
12 the Nevada Legislature hereby reject Initiative Petition No. 1; and
13 be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
15 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of
16 Nevada and the Secretary of State of the State of Nevada.

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