# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

# Seventy-Seventh Session February 14, 2013

The Committee on Taxation was called to order by Chairwoman Irene Bustamante Adams at 1:04 p.m. on Thursday, February 14, 2013, in Room 4100 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda (Exhibit A), the Attendance Roster (Exhibit B), and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at nelis.leg.state.nv.us/77th2013. In addition, copies of the audio record may be purchased through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (email: publications@lcb.state.nv.us; telephone: 775-684-6835).

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Assemblywoman Irene Bustamante Adams, Chairwoman Assemblywoman Peggy Pierce, Vice Chairwoman Assemblywoman Teresa Benitez-Thompson Assemblyman Jason Frierson Assemblyman Tom Grady Assemblyman Cresent Hardy Assemblyman Pat Hickey Assemblyman William C. Horne Assemblywoman Marilyn K. Kirkpatrick Assemblyman Randy Kirner Assemblywoman Dina Neal Assemblyman Lynn D. Stewart

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

### **GUEST LEGISLATORS PRESENT:**

None



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#### **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Russell J. Guindon, Principal Deputy Fiscal Analyst Michael Nakamoto, Deputy Fiscal Analyst Bryan Fernley-Gonzalez, Committee Counsel Judi Bishop, Committee Manager Gina Hall, Committee Secretary Gariety Pruitt, Committee Assistant

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

None

#### Chairwoman Bustamante Adams:

Good afternoon everyone. I will call to order the meeting of the Assembly Committee on Taxation. [Roll was taken.] Let the record show all members are present and we have a quorum.

Assembly Bill 68: Revises various provisions relating to the distribution of certain taxes to local governments. (BDR 32-247)

#### **Chairwoman Bustamante Adams:**

Today our agenda includes a work session on <u>Assembly Bill 68</u>. After the work session meeting, we will adjourn and reconvene for a joint meeting with the Senate Committee on Revenue and Economic Development at 1:30 p.m.

At this time I will ask Mr. Nakamoto to go through the work session document, which the Committee members have in their binders.

#### Michael Nakamoto, Deputy Fiscal Analyst:

The work session document (<u>Exhibit C</u>) is in your binders, behind the tab for <u>Assembly Bill 68</u>. I will give the members of the Committee a minute to find that document before I start my presentation.

Assembly Bill 68 was sponsored by this Committee, on behalf of the Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Allocation of Revenue from the Local Government Tax Distribution Account. It was heard by the Joint Committees on February 7, 2013.

This bill makes various changes to the Consolidated Tax Distribution (CTX). These include several changes to the base allocation of revenues, and changes to the excess allocation in Clark County, Washoe County, and in the rural

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counties. There are various changes to the date by which local governments and special districts must enter into an interlocal agreement to change the distribution of revenues within those entities in the county. There is a change for the use of annual population estimates by the Department of Taxation for the distribution of certain revenues at the first tier of the CTX. I will not be going through all of the changes. All the changes are listed in this document. This document is also available on the Nevada Electronic Legislative Information System for the members of the public.

On page 2 you can see there were 13 different people who testified in support, representing various local government entities throughout the state, as well as Mr. Fontaine from the Nevada Association of Counties, Mr. Henderson from the League of Cities, and Ms. Vilardo from the Nevada Taxpayers Association. Ms. Elliott, representing the City of Fernley, testified as neutral with respect to the bill. Testimony was also received from Mayor Shari Buck, Mr. Hacker, Mr. Musgrove, and Mr. Zochowski representing the City of North Las Vegas, with respect to the amendment that was proposed by the City of North Las Vegas. You can find that amendment on page 3 of this document. That amendment requests the base allocation for the City of North Las Vegas be increased by \$25,776,000.

The other documents you have in the work session document today are based on the request made at the February 7, 2013, meeting by Chairwoman Bustamante Adams. There are letters submitted by various entities with respect to North Las Vegas' amendment. Also, you will find letters from Boulder City (Exhibit D) and Clark County (Exhibit E), a joint letter from the City of Henderson and City of Las Vegas (Exhibit F), as well as a letter submitted by the Department of Taxation (Exhibit G). Behind those you will find two exhibits that were submitted as supplemental documents by Clark County with respect to various calculations related to the amendment (Exhibit H and Exhibit I).

If there are any questions regarding the bill or the material in the work session document, I will be happy to answer them at this time.

#### **Chairwoman Bustamante Adams:**

Are there any questions from Committee members for Mr. Nakamoto? [There were none.] I will go ahead and entertain a motion to do pass on A.B. 68.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN PIERCE MOVED TO DO PASS ASSEMBLY BILL 68.

ASSEMBLYMAN HORNE SECONDED THE MOTION.

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#### THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### Assemblywoman Bustamante Adams:

At this time I will ask for a volunteer to do a floor statement. [Assemblyman Hardy and Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick volunteered.] This will be a tag team effort from Assemblyman Hardy and Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick. Thank you for volunteering.

We will now move from the work session and take public comment. [There was none.]

Seeing no public comment we are going to adjourn the meeting of the Assembly Committee on Taxation. We will reconvene at 1:30 p.m. for our joint meeting with the Senate Committee on Revenue and Economic Development. The meeting is adjourned [at 1:10 p.m.].

	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:	
	Gina Hall Committee Secretary	
APPROVED BY:		
Assemblywoman Irene Bustamante Adams Chairwoman		
DATE:		

## **EXHIBITS**

**Committee Name: Committee on Taxation** 

Date: February 14, 2013 Time of Meeting: 1:04 p.m.

Bill	Exhibit	Witness / Agency	Description
	Α		Agenda
	В		Attendance Roster
	С	Michael Nakamoto	A.B. 68 Work Session
			Document
	D	Boulder City	Boulder City Response
	E	Clark County	Clark County
			Response
	F	City of Henderson and City of	City of Henderson and
		Las Vegas	City of Las Vegas
			Response
	G	Department of Taxation	Department of
			Taxation Response
	Н	Clark County	Clark County
			Response Table 1
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			Response Table 2