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SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION'S SUBCOMMITTEE TO STUDY TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Nevada Revised Statutes 218.682

Following is a summary of recommendations adopted by the Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Transportation Issues at its final meeting on August 21, 2008, in Carson City, Nevada. These recommendations will be forwarded to the Legislative Commission and ultimately to the 2009 Session of the Nevada Legislature, as appropriate.

- 1. Draft legislation to assess a \$100 fee against persons who are convicted of reckless driving, driving on a suspended or revoked license, driving under the influence, or motor vehicle-related accidents or driving felonies. The money collected must be deposited into the State Highway Fund and must be used exclusively for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of highways. (BDR 43-363)
- 2. Send a letter to the Senate Committee on Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation and the Assembly Committee on Transportation to consider redirecting existing State General Fund revenues to be used exclusively for design, right-of-way acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of highways. The letter should urge the Committees to consider funding recommendations made by former Governor Kenny C. Guinn's Blue Ribbon Task Force to Evaluate Nevada Department of Transportation Long-Range Projects 2008-2015.
- 3. Send a letter to Nevada's Department of Transportation (NDOT) encouraging the Department to consider the possible impact of highways on wildlife corridors, and apply mitigation strategies to protect both human and wildlife resources.
- 4. Send a letter to the Senate Committee on Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation and the Assembly Committee on Transportation to consider repealing the requirement to wear protective headgear for a driver who is over 21 years of age and licensed to drive a motorcycle. In addition, a passenger of a motorcycle who is over 21 and driving with a person who meets the aforementioned criteria is not required to wear protective headgear.
- 5. Send a letter to the Senate Committee on Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation, the Assembly Committee on Transportation, and the Nevada Executive Committee on Traffic Safety commending the Nevada Executive Committee on preparing a Nevada Strategic Highway Safety Plan.
- 6. Send a letter to the members of Nevada's Congressional Delegation urging their support of S. 3261 (Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2009). The legislation includes an \$8 billion transfer from the Federal General Fund to the Highway Trust Fund to stop an expected Fiscal Year 2009

Trust Fund shortfall. If the shortfall is not resolved, the National Conference of State Legislatures predicts that states and their road projects will experience a shortfall even greater than \$3.2 billion—approximately four times as much—due to time lags between when states obligate their funds and when federal outlays are received. A delay of the shortfall fix creates uncertainty in state budgeting for transportation projects based on federal commitments.

REPORT TO THE 75th SESSION OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE BY THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION'S SUBCOMMITTEE TO STUDY TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Nevada Revised Statutes 218.682

I. INTRODUCTION

On September 18, 2007, the Legislative Commission approved the creation of the Subcommittee to Study Transportation Issues. The scope of the study included transportation funding, transportation planning, and the use of alternative modes of transportation. The Commission appointed six members: three members of the Senate and three members of the Assembly.

The following legislators served on the Subcommittee:

Senator Dennis Nolan, Chairman Senator Dina Titus Senator Randolph Townsend Assemblyman Kelvin D. Atkinson Assemblyman Pete Goicoechea Assemblyman John Oceguera

Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) staff services for the Subcommittee were provided by Marjorie Paslov Thomas, Senior Research Analyst, and Scott Young, Principal Policy and Special Projects Analyst, of the Research Division; Brenda J. Erdoes, Legislative Counsel, and M. Scott McKenna, Senior Principal Deputy Legislative Counsel, of the Legal Division; and Jeannie Claussen, Senior Research Secretary, of the Research Division.

The Subcommittee held six meetings, including a work session, during the course of the 2007-2008 Legislative Interim. Five meetings were held at the Grant Sawyer State Office Building in Las Vegas, Nevada, and one meeting was held at the Legislative Building in Carson City, Nevada.

II. RECENT TRANSPORTATION FUNDING LEGISLATION IN NEVADA

During the 2006-2007 Interim period, former Governor Kenny C. Guinn appointed a Blue Ribbon Task Force to Evaluate Nevada Department of Transportation Long-Range Projects 2008-2015. In November 2006, the Task Force met and approved several recommendations related to financing the construction and maintenance of highway projects. Members of the Task Force expressed concern that the State highway system needs by 2015 were estimated at \$11 billion, with a projected shortfall of \$3.8 billion, without accounting for inflation.

The recommendations made by the Task Force were presented to the Board of Directors of Nevada's Department of Transportation (NDOT) in December 2006. Governor Guinn urged the Task Force to move forward and discuss the financing options and recommendations with members of the 2007 Legislature.

During the 2007 Legislative Session, several bills were introduced based on recommendations made by the Task Force that addressed increasing funding for transportation projects. Many of the measures did not pass out of the committees. However, one measure, Assembly Bill 595 (Chapter 344, *Statutes of Nevada*) was passed by the Legislature to provide funding for transportation projects without raising or creating new taxes. Specifically, A.B. 595 does the following concerning funding for highway projects:

- The Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority Room Tax Revenue Reallocation—A county fair and recreation board in a county whose population is 400,000 or more shall, at the request of NDOT, issue bonds to provide funding to the Department to assist in paying the cost of highway projects in that county. The aggregate principal amount of the bonds issued will not exceed the lesser of \$300 million, or the amount the board determines can be repaid over a period of not more than \$20 million per year.
- Clark County and Washoe County Property Tax Reallocation—Clark County and Washoe County are imposing a property tax rate of 5 cents per \$100 of assessed value for capital projects. An amount equal to 3 cents of the 5-cent rate shall be reallocated to a special account in the State Highway Fund from the proceeds collected in Clark County and Washoe County. The amount to be reallocated to the special account in the State Highway Fund will be phased in between Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 and FY 2013. By FY 2015, this will generate a total of approximately \$170 million.
- Car Rental Tax—The current recovery surcharge that may be imposed is up to 4 percent of the total amount for which the car is leased. Under A.B. 595, the 4 percent recovery surcharge rate must be imposed with one-quarter of the proceeds being deposited into a special account in the State Highway Fund. The money from the reallocation can only be used for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of public highways. The money may not be used for any costs of administration or to purchase equipment. It is estimated that by FY 2015, a total of approximately \$40.5 million will be generated.

III. POTENTIAL SOURCES OF REVENUE TO MEET SHORTFALLS

At its February 19, 2008, meeting, the Subcommittee was briefed by Susan G. Martinovich, Director, NDOT, regarding the extent of the need for new funding sources to construct and maintain the State's highway system. She stated that by 2016, the Department estimates that the cumulative shortfall is \$5.1 billion to \$6.3 billion. Based on this projection, NDOT may not have sufficient revenue to support future transportation projects.

A. Mechanisms to Collect Revenue

It was noted by various presenters and Subcommittee members that a primary source of transportation funding is the State motor fuel excise tax, commonly called the gas tax. Of concern is the declining purchase power of the gas tax. Federal and state excise taxes on gasoline, one of the primary sources of transportation funding, have not kept pace with inflation and have diminished in real dollar value. The federal excise tax on gasoline (18.4 cents per gallon) has not changed since 1993. In Nevada, the State gas tax is 18.455 cents. This tax has lost a major percentage of its purchasing power in the past decade. The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) stated that to keep pace with inflation since the beginning of the Highway Interstate era, it would be necessary to immediately raise the average state gas tax by 20 cents.

Another economic concern is the rising cost of oil. In July 2008, consumers on the West Coast paid an average of \$4.28 per gallon of gasoline. The increase in the cost of gasoline has made it difficult to derive additional funding to raise the gasoline tax to compensate for the increased need for transportation funding.

Additionally, the Subcommittee examined a number of fee and tax options to meet the need for additional revenue to cover the projected shortfall. The revenue options discussed by the Subcommittee are summarized in a list prepared by staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and attached as Appendix B. After extended consideration, the Subcommittee did not come to a consensus and made no recommendations to increase the collection of existing revenue resources or for new taxes or fees.

B. Innovative Funding Opportunities

Throughout the nation, state and local governments are using new techniques for financing the construction and maintenance of transportation projects. The Subcommittee considered the following options during its discussions.

1. Public-Private Partnerships and Toll Facilities

The Federal Highway Administration defines a public-private partnership as "a contractual agreement formed between public and private sectors, who allows more private sector participation than is traditional. The agreement usually involves a government agency contracting with a private company to renovate, construct, operate, maintain, and/or manage a facility or system. While the public sector usually retains ownership in the facility or system, the private party will be given additional decision rights to determining how the project or task will be completed."

At several meetings, members of the Subcommittee discussed the potential advantages and disadvantages of public-private partnerships and transportation projects, specifically toll roads. The potential advantage of such partnerships includes cost savings, decreased highway congestion, reduced project completion time, reduced travel times, and safety. Richard Andrew "Dick" Gephardt, former United States Representative from Missouri and current consultant to The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., explained that in such an agreement, the state and the private entity can agree on a set price, giving the state more predictability on project cost. Because the private entity wants to make a profit, it has greater incentive to reduce costs, improve efficiency, and shorten project completion time.

Members also discussed concerns about private involvement in transportation projects. Discussion among the members included concerns that: (a) the State may lose control over the project in a public-private partnership; (b) a private company is not accountable to the public; and (c) most importantly, whether public-private partnerships work when constructing, maintaining, and operating transportation facilities and projects. Representatives of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., and NDOT provided examples of transportation projects that have benefitted by utilizing public-private partnerships. However, members did not reach a consensus and, therefore, did not make a recommendation to utilize this type of funding mechanism.

2. Facility Tolling

Representatives of NDOT explained that facility tolling is charging a toll for a motorist's use of a transportation facility such as a limited access roadway. Collection of the toll can occur through tollbooths, electronic tolling, or other means. Toll rates can be variable, depending on the purpose of the toll. Tolls are a true user fee that charges only those who use a particular facility.

In addition, NDOT created the Pioneer Program in 2007 to explore and develop alternative and innovative transportation financing and delivery methods for the State. Under this Program, the Department is proposing a Demonstration Project: the U.S. 95/Interstate 15 Managed Lane Project. The Project includes: (a) conversion of High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes and Express Lanes to Managed Lanes; (b) congestion pricing for vehicles with less than three passengers; (c) free ridership for public transit, emergency vehicles, and preregistered vehicles with more than three occupants; (d) video enforcement; (e) limited truck access (three-axle or bigger prohibited); and (f) improvements and new construction for access, interchanges, and Managed Lane facility within the corridor. As with other possible funding mechanisms, members of the Subcommittee did not reach a consensus and, therefore, did not make a recommendation to support the Demonstration Project.

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

At the final meeting and work session on August 21, 2008, the Subcommittee adopted six recommendations, including one that will be a bill draft request (BDR) for consideration by the 2009 Legislature. These recommendations will be forwarded to the Legislative Commission and ultimately to the 2009 Session of the Nevada Legislature, as appropriate.

A. Enhanced Fines for Traffic Violations

Draft legislation to assess a \$100 fee against persons who are convicted of reckless driving, driving on a suspended or revoked license, driving under the influence, or motor vehicle-related accidents or driving felonies. The money collected must be deposited into the State Highway Fund and must be used exclusively for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of highways. (BDR 43–363)

Throughout the study, there was discussion that traffic accidents affect both congestion and the safety of motorists on Nevada's highways. Accidents create a great inconvenience and pose many potential hazards to motorists. Representatives of the Department of Public Safety (DPS) stated that officers had investigated 20,597 motor vehicle-related crashes in FY 2006. Similar to other states, Nevada imposes a fine on drivers who are convicted of traffic safety offenses. The Subcommittee heard testimony that one option to increase funding for transportation is to enhance fines for traffic violations. Greater penalties target the drivers who are the greatest safety threat on the road.

B. Consideration of Mechanisms to Fund Transportation Projects

Send a letter to the Senate Committee on Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation and the Assembly Committee on Transportation to consider redirecting existing State General Fund revenues to be used exclusively for design, right-of-way acquisition, construction, reconstruction, improvement, and maintenance of highways. The letter should urge the Committees to consider funding recommendations made by former Governor Kenny C. Guinn's Blue Ribbon Task Force to Evaluate NDOT Long-Range Projects 2008-2015.

The Subcommittee heard testimony on transportation needs, as well as projected shortfalls in funding, based on the current tax distribution system. Information was provided regarding a broad array of funding mechanisms for State and local transportation needs. The Subcommittee, after discussing and reviewing detailed information relating to these needs, current and future transportation projects, and funding, concluded that it was not feasible to increase traditional State Highway Fund revenues to fund transportation projects. However, members of the Subcommittee noted that innovative funding tools and other funding alternatives should be considered by the 2009 Legislature.

C. Wildlife Corridors

Send a letter to NDOT encouraging the Department to consider the possible impact of highways on wildlife corridors, and apply mitigation strategies to protect both human and wildlife resources.

The Nevada Wildlife Record Book Foundation reported that there are a high number of wildlife and vehicle accidents on Nevada's highways resulting in wildlife deaths. Although Nevada has a lower number of people and vehicles per capita than other states, there are an unusually high number of wildlife deaths related to vehicle collisions. The Foundation noted that a recent study by the Western Governors' Association estimated the total cost nationwide of wildlife-vehicle collisions is \$8.8 billion annually. Overpasses have been identified as a successful solution to reducing the number of human and wildlife deaths and should be considered during the planning of highway construction.

D. Repealing the Motorcycle Helmet Law

Send a letter to the Senate Committee on Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation and the Assembly Committee on Transportation to consider repealing the requirement to wear protective headgear for a driver who is over 21 years of age and licensed to drive a motorcycle. In addition, a passenger of a motorcycle who is over 21 and driving with a person who meets the aforementioned criteria is not required to wear protective headgear.

Current law requires a driver and a passenger of a motorcycle to wear protective headgear (*Nevada Revised Statutes* 486.231). Testimony provided by Mike Davis, President of Southern Nevada American Bikers Aimed Toward Education, indicated that repealing the motorcycle helmet law would provide alternative funding for transportation projects. Mr. Davis expressed that more people are traveling by motorcycle and Nevada is a perfect venue for year-round riders to come and visit the State. The flow of tourists from Arizona, Colorado, and Utah will increase without a helmet restriction, which will generate a substantial revenue income.

E. Nevada Strategic Highway Safety Plan

Send a letter to the Senate Committee on Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation, the Assembly Committee on Transportation, and the Nevada Executive Committee on Traffic Safety commending the Nevada Executive Committee on preparing a Nevada Strategic Highway Safety Plan.

The Nevada Strategic Highway Safety Plan was developed by NDOT, along with a special technical working group, to identify Nevada's traffic safety needs in order to achieve significant reductions in traffic fatalities and disabling injuries. Susan G. Martinovich, Director, NDOT, stated that the Plan emphasizes reducing: the number of unbelted motor vehicle occupants; lane departure; alcohol impairment; crashes at intersections; and crashes

involving pedestrians. In developing this plan, the Department seeks to build traffic safety partnerships throughout the State in order to align and leverage resources to address Nevada's unique traffic safety challenges.

F. Federal Funding for State Highway Projects

Send a letter to the members of Nevada's Congressional Delegation urging their support of S. 3261 (Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2009). The legislation includes an \$8 billion transfer from the Federal General Fund to the Highway Trust Fund to stop an expected FY 2009 Trust Fund shortfall. If the shortfall is not resolved, the NCSL predicts that states and their road projects will experience a shortfall even greater than \$3.2 billion—approximately four times as much—due to time lags between when states obligate their funds and when federal outlays are received. A delay of the shortfall fix creates uncertainty in state budgeting for transportation projects based on federal commitments.

The 110th Congress fully funded transportation projects in FY 2008 at the SAFETEA-LU (Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users) authorized level, which was enacted in 2005 and authorized \$286.5 billion for transportation programs through FY 2009. However, states were faced with a FY 2009 shortfall in the Highway Trust Fund of \$8 billion. In early 2008, Mary E. Peters, Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation, reported that the Highway Trust Fund will reach the point of zero balance by the end of 2008. It was noted that reimbursements to states, including Nevada, for expenses already incurred will be made less frequently and at below full cost. If prolonged, it will exacerbate state budget challenges throughout the country.

V. CONCLUDING REMARKS

The Subcommittee wishes to thank the many individuals who contributed to this study through their correspondence or testimony at public hearings. The Subcommittee members also recognize the cooperation and assistance provided by the staffs of the American Trucking Association, California-Nevada Super Speed Ground Transportation Commission, Clark County Department of Aviation, DPS, the Goldman Sachs Group, Inc., NCSL, NDOT, Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) of Southern Nevada, RTC of Washoe County, and the Tahoe-Reno Industrial Center.

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APPENDIX A

Nevada Revised Statutes 218.682

NEVADA REVISED STATUTES

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION'S SUBCOMMITTEE TO STUDY TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

NRS 218.682 General powers. The Legislative Commission may:

- 1. Carry forward the participation of the State of Nevada as a member of the Council of State Governments and the National Conference of State Legislatures, and may pay annual dues to those organizations out of the Legislative Fund. The Legislative Commission is designated as Nevada's Commission on Interstate Cooperation.
- 2. Encourage and assist the government of this State to develop and maintain friendly contact by correspondence, by conference, and otherwise, with the other states, with the Federal Government and with local units of government.
- 3. Establish such delegations and committees as official agencies of the Legislative Counsel Bureau as may be deemed advisable to confer with similar delegations and committees from other states concerning problems of mutual interest. The membership of those delegations and committees must be designated by the Legislative Commission and may consist of Legislators and employees of the State other than members of the Commission. Members of those delegations and committees shall serve without salary, but they are entitled to receive out of the Legislative Fund the per diem expense allowance provided for state officers and employees generally and the travel expenses provided pursuant to NRS 218.2207.
- 4. Endeavor to advance cooperation between this State and other units of government whenever it seems advisable to do so by formulating proposals for interstate compacts and reciprocal or uniform legislation, and by facilitating the adoption of uniform or reciprocal administrative rules and regulations, informal cooperation of governmental offices, personal cooperation among governmental officials and employees, interchange and clearance of research and information and any other suitable process.
- 5. Conduct studies or investigations concerning governmental problems, important issues of public policy or questions of statewide interest. The Legislative Commission may establish subcommittees and interim or special committees as official agencies of the Legislative Counsel Bureau to conduct such studies or investigations or otherwise to deal with such governmental problems, important issues of public policy or questions of statewide interest. The membership of those subcommittees and interim or special committees must be designated by the Legislative Commission and may consist of members of the Legislative Commission and Legislators other than members of the Commission, employees of the State of Nevada or citizens of the State of Nevada. Members of those subcommittees and interim or special committees who are not Legislators shall serve without salary, but they are entitled to receive out of the Legislative Fund the per diem expense allowances and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally. Except during a regular or special session of the Legislature, members of those subcommittees and interim or special committees who are Legislators are entitled to receive out of the Legislative Fund the compensation provided for a majority of the members of the Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding session for each day or portion of a day of attendance, and the per diem expense allowances provided

for state officers and employees generally and the travel expenses provided pursuant to NRS 218.2207.

- 6. Supervise the functions assigned to the Divisions of the Bureau in this chapter.
- 7. Authorize the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau to enter into agreements for the acquisition of property it deems necessary to support the Legislature and its staff. The Director may expend money from the Legislative Fund for this purpose.

[10:134:1953]—(NRS A 1957, 386; 1961, 253; 1963, 1014; 1965, 1455; 1971, 2206; 1973, 119, 1118; 1975, 296; 1979, 612; 1985, 399; 1989, 1218, 1493; 1993, 2250)

APPENDIX B

Tables Dated February 18, 2008, on Tax and Fee Proposals, and the Current Taxes and Fees Imposed or Authorized as State and Local Revenue Sources, From Russell J. Guindon, Senior Deputy Fiscal Analyst, Fiscal Analysis Division, LCB

TABLE 1 TAX/FEE PROPOSALS CONSIDERED DURING 2007 SESSION TO FUND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

	BILL CONSIDERED		PROPOSED	DESCRIPTION OF
	DURING THE 2007	PROPOSED	DISTRIBUTION	TRANSPORTATION
TAX/FEE	LEGISLATIVE SESSION	TAX RATE/FEE	OF REVENUES	FUNDING PROPOSAL
			Sales tax revenue	
			generated from the State	
				Sales tax remitted to the Department of Taxation
				for two NAICS codes (441 - Motor Vehicle and
				Parts Dealers and 8111 - Automotive Repair and
				Maintenance) would be transferred from the
				State General Fund to the State Highway Fund
Sales Tax	SB 324 (Sections 7 to 8)	No change to existing tax rate	Highway Fund	on a monthly basis.
		T	<u> </u>	Data is assessed an appropriate and
				Rate is assessed on common, contract, or private motor carrier who operates a motor
	AD EDE ALL Dougles	45		vehicle with declared gross weight in excess of
MATERIAL DISABASE Too	AB 595 - 1st Reprint	15 cents per mile traveled in the	Ctate Highway Fund	55,000 pounds.
Weight Distance Tax	(Section 50)	state	State Highway Fund	55,000 pounds.
			State Highway Fund - Half	
			of the proceeds;	This is the same as the actual proposal adopted
			Lessor - Half of the	in the enrolled version of AB 595 only with half
Governmental Services Fee			proceeds for	the proceeds from the 4% recovery surcharge
on the Short-term Rental of a	AB 595 - 1st Reprint	Require a 4% recovery surcharge	reimbursement of vehicle	going to the State Highway Fund instead of one-
Vehicle	(Section 49)	to be imposed	licensing fees and taxes	quarter as approved in AB 595.
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				Deposit a portion of certain room taxes collected
				for use by the LVCVA in the State Highway
				Fund. Initially, \$20 million would be allocated in
•				FY 2006-07. For each subsequent fiscal year,
			1	30 percent of the amount by which the room tax
			State Highway Fund -	collections in the current fiscal year exceed the
			Proceeds must be used for	room tax collections for the prior fiscal year is
Room Tax	SB 574 (Section 1)	No change to existing tax rate	projects in Clark County	added to the prior fiscal year amount.
				
		Increase 17.65 cent state gas tax	i	Fiscal year inflation adjustment is the lesser of
		to 20.65 cents for FY 2008 and		4.5 percent or the average percentage increase
Gas Tax	SB 324 (Section 2)		State Highway Fund	

Document consists of 4 pages.

EXHIBIT E-t - Transportation Issues

Entire document provided.

A copy of the complete document is available through the Research Library (775/684-6827) or o-mail library@icb.stam.nv.us).

Meeting Date: 2/19/08

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TABLE 1
TAX/FEE PROPOSALS CONSIDERED DURING 2007 SESSION TO FUND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

	BILL CONSIDERED		PROPOSED		ESCRIP	TION OF
	DURING THE 2007	PROPOSED	DISTRIBUTION	TI	RANSPO	RTATION
TAX/FEE	LEGISLATIVE SESSION	TAX RATE/FEE	OF REVENUES	FU	NDING P	ROPOSAL
		Increase 27 cent state special				tment is the lesser of
		fuels tax to 30 cents for FY 2008				e percentage increase
•		and 33 cents for FY 2009 and then				onsumers over the
Special Fuels Tax	SB 324 (Section 4)	index to inflation thereafter.	State Highway Fund	preceding 5 yea	ırs.	
						
				The depreciatio	n rates in	the schedule in NRS
						ne the value of a vehicle
				for computing th		x due would be
			}	increased as fol		
			İ		<u>cisting</u>	Proposed
					100%	100%
	1			1 Year	85%	95%
				2 Years	75%	90%
				3 Years	65%	85%
			1	4 Years	55%	75%
		No tax rate change but changes	The increment in tax	5 Years	45%	65%
		depreciation schedule which	revenue generated by the	6 Years	35%	55%
		increases annual GST due on	proposed change to the	7 Years	25%	45%
		vehicles.	depreciation schedule	8 Years	15%	35%
Governmental Services Tax -		Minimum tax increases from \$6 to	would be deposited in the	9 Years	5%	25%
Vehicles	SB 324 (section 6)	\$25 per year.	State Highway Fund.	10 Years/Over	5%	20%
						the schedule in NRS
						ne the value of a
						g the GST tax due
İ				would be increa		
					xisting	Proposed
		Ì			100%	100%
]		1 Year	75%	95%
		1		2 Years	59%	79%
	}			3 Years	47%	67%
				4 Years	37%	57%
	1	No tax rate change but changes	The increment in tax	5 Years	28%	48%
ĺ		depreciation schedule which	revenue generated by the	6 Years	23%	43%
1		increases annual GST due on	proposed change to the	7 Years	20%	40%
		trucks/trailers.	depreciation schedule	8 Years	17%	37%
Governmental Services Tax -		Minimum tax increases from \$6 to	would be deposited in the	9 Years	15%	35%
Trucks/Trailers	SB 324 (section 6)	\$25 per year.	State Highway Fund.	10 Years/Over	13%	33%

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TAX/FEE	LEGISLATIVE SESSION	TAX RATE/FEE	OF REVENUES	FUNDING PROPOSAL
Driver's License - Regular	SB 324 (Section 20)	Increase fees for original, renewal, or reinstatement of driver's license by \$20	State Highway Fund	Increase fee for original/renewal of driver's license from \$13.50 to \$33.50 Increase fee for reinstatement of driver's license after suspension, revocation or cancellation, depending on reason for suspension, from \$40 to \$60 and from \$65 to \$85.
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				Increase fee for original/duplicate of identification card for person 65 or over from \$4 to \$24 Increase fee for original/duplicate/renewal of identification card for person under 18 from \$3 to \$23.
		Increase fees for original,		Increase fee for original/duplicate/renewal of
		duplicate, or renewal of		identification card for person over 18 but under
Identification Card	SB 324 (Section 21)	identification card by \$20	State Highway Fund	65 from \$9 to \$29.
Driver's License - Commercia	1 SB 324 (Section 22)	Increase fees for original, renewal, transfer or reinstatement of commercial driver's license by \$20		Increase fee for original, renewal, transfer, and reinstatement of commercial driver's license which requires DMV to administer a driving skills test from \$84 to \$104. Increase fee for original, renewal, transfer, and reinstatement of commercial driver's license which does not require DMV to administer a driving skills test from \$54 to \$74.
Toll Roads	SB 392, AB 417, AB 583	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Authorizes governmental entities to establish, construct, and operate toll roads and toll bridges.

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TAX/FEE	LEGISLATIVE SESSION	TAX RATE/FEE	OF REVENUES	FUNDING PROPOSAL
				Di Libertino di Siano di Manda di Anglia
Ballot Questions	SB 393 - 4th Reprint (Sections 19.1 - 19.5)	Not Applicable	State Highway Fund	Placed the following five questions on the ballot for the general election on November 4, 2008, in each county: 1. Should a tax be imposed on the weight and distance traveled by heavyweight trucks operated on public highways in Nevada? (Section 19.1) 2. Should the depreciation schedule used to calculate the annual GST be revised to raise additional revenue? (Section 19.2) 3. Should a surcharge per trip on each taxicab fare be imposed? (Section 19.3) 4. Should the state use toll roads to raise additional revenue? (Section 19.4) 5. Should the state charge a toll for the use of lanes added to public highway to raise additional revenue? (Section 19.5)
	<u> </u>			Amend NRS 408,273 to allow the Department of
•				Transportation to issue bonds for highway
Department of Transportation	AB 595 - 1st Reprint			construction projects that can mature within 30
Special Obligation Bonds	(Section 48)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	years and not the current 20 years.
Voluntary Contributions	SB 180; SB 180 - 1st Reprint	Not Applicable	State Highway Fund	Allows an owner when registering a vehicle to voluntarily contribute an amount dedicated to the State Highway Fund that is in excess of that required to pay the license fees, registration fees, and GST.

TABLE 2
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TAX/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	TAX RATE/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	FUNDING PROPOSAL
	•		<u>- </u>	
			State GST - State	
	1		General Fund; Recovery	
			Surcharge Fee: 1% -	
			State Highway Fund and	
•			3% - Retained by lessor	
			to cover vehicle	
			licensing fees and taxes:	Impose an additional tax rate on short-
				term car rentals with proceeds dedicated to
		6% - State GST;	County - performing arts	
	NRS 482.313;	4% - Recovery Surcharge Fee;		2. Allocate additional portion of the Recovery
Governmental Services Fee on the	NRS 244A.810;	2% Local Option in Clark		Surcharge Fee retained by lessor to the State
Short-term Rental of a Vehicle	NRS 244A.860	County and Washoe County		Highway Fund.
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		Three tiered schedule imposed	State General Fund: A	
		on monthly gross gaming	portion of the tax from	1
	1	revenues generated by	licensees who conduct	
	ŀ	nonrestricted locations:	off-track pari-mutuel	
	1	3.5% of revenue up to \$50,000;		
		4.5% on revenues in excess of	counties with population	Impose an additional tax rate on gaming
	1	\$50,000 up to \$134,000; 6.75%	under 100,000 who	revenue generated by nonrrestricted gaming
		on revenues in excess of	conduct on-track pari-	locations with proceeds dedicated to State
Gaming Percentage Fee Tax	NRS 463.370	\$134,000	mutuel wagering.	Highway Fund.
			State 2% - General	
	NRS 372;	State - 2%;	Fund; LSST - School	
	NRS 374;	LSST - 2.25%;	Districts; BCCRT -	
	NRS 377;	BCCRT - 0.5%;	County of Origin;	Impose an additional sales and use tax on
,	NRS 377A;	SCCRT - 1.75%;	SCCRT - Statutory	taxable sales dedicated to the State Highway
Sales Tax	NRS 377B	Local Option - See Note Below	Formula; LOPT - County	Fund.
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		All insurers, except for Risk		
		Retention Groups - 3.5% of net		
		premiums.		
	NRS 680B.027,	Risk Retention Groups - 2% of		Increase tax rate on net premiums with
Insurance Premium Tax	NRS 680B.0353	net premiums.	State General Fund	proceeds dedicated to State Highway Fund.
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TAX/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	TAX RATE/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	FUNDING PROPOSAL
		'		
	<u> </u>	Financial Institutions - 2%;		•
	NRS 363A (Financial	General Business - 0.63%		Impose an additional tax on employer's
	Institutions);	Tax Base is quarterly wages		quarterly wages paid to employees less
	NRS 363B (General	less allowable health care		allowable health care expenses with proceeds
Modified Business Tax	Business)	expenses]	State General Fund	dedicated to the State Highway Fund.
Wodined Dusiness Tax	Duointodoj	expended	Otato Concident and	Jacobski is the state that is a state to the
		1	State \$1.30 - General	
			Fund;	
	1		County \$0.65 - \$0.10 to	
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		D \$500 -53 (-1	State Low-Income	
		Per \$500 of Value:	Housing Account and	1
		State - \$1.30;	\$0.55 to County;	Impose an additional tax rate per \$500 of
	NRS 375.020;	County - \$0.65;	Clark County School	value for property transfers statewide or in
	NRS 375.023;	Clark County School District -	District \$0.60 - Capital	specified counties that require the tax to be
	NRS 375.026;	\$0.60	Construction Fund	remitted under NRS Chapter 375 with
	Chapter 491 (Statutes of	Certain Counties - \$0.10	County \$0.10 (Chapter	proceeds dedicated to the State Highway
Real Property Transfer Tax	Nevada 1991)	(Chapter 491)	491) - County	Fund.
			State General Fund (all	
			tax rates except for 65	
		Over 22% alcohol -	cents of over 22%	
	,	\$3.60/gallon;	alcohol); 15 cents of	
		14 to 22% alcohol -	over 22% alcohol to	ļ
		\$1.30/gallon;	State Liquor Tax	·
	,	Up to 14 percent alcohol -	Program Account;	
		70 cents/gallon;	50 cents of over 22%	Increase liquor tax rate on selected types of
	1	Malt beverages (e.g. beer) -	alcohol to local	liquor or all types with proceeds dedicated to
Liquor Tax	NRS 369,330	16 cents/gallon	governments (CTX)	the State Highway Fund.
Liquos Tax	14100003,000	TO COMO/GUILON	1904 of third of the	Title orang righting r and
		If maximum occupancy is	1	Impose an additional tax rate on live
		between 200 and 7,499: 10% of	d	entertainment with proceeds dedicated to
		all amounts paid for admission,	1	State Highway Fund.
		food, refreshments and		2. Impose an additional tax rate on live
		merchandise;		entertainment provided in establishment with
			,	occupancy of 7,500 or more with proceeds
	ND0 0004 000	If maximum occupancy is 7,500		
Live Entertainment Tax	NRS 368A.200	or more: 5% of admission only	Joiate General Fund	dedicated to the State Highway Fund.

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TAX/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	TAX RATE/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	FUNDING PROPOSAL
			70 cents - State General	
			Fund;	
		40 mills per cigarette	10 cents - local	Increase cigarette tax rate with proceeds
Cigarette Tax	NRS 370.350	(80 cents per pack of 20)	governments (CTX)	dedicated to the State Highway Fund.
			Local governments;	
			school districts; and	
		}	State Bond Interest and	
			Redemption Fund -	
		Between 2 and 5 percent of	Proceeds derived from	
İ		total net proceeds, depending	the applicable property	
•		upon the ad valorem property	tax rate where the mine	
		tax rate in the jurisdiction, the	is located (up to 3.66	Reallocate all or a percentage of the General
		ratio of net proceeds to gross	percent). State General	Fund portion of tax to the State Highway
		proceeds, and the total value of	Fund - Any additional	Fund. Article 10, Section 5 of the Nevada
	Article 10, Nevada	the net proceeds. (See Note	proceeds above the	Constitution prohibits the minerals tax from
Net Proceeds of Minerals Tax	Constitution, NRS 362.140	Below)	local portion.	exceeding 5 percent of net proceeds.
			State Debt;	
		may be imposed in a tax district		Impose an additional levy per \$100 of
		is \$3.66 per \$100 of assessed	debt; city operating and	assessed value of real property statewide or a
		value [Statutory \$3.64 cap	debt; school district	specific county dedicated to State Highway
	1	(NRS 351.453) plus 2 cent debt		Fund. County specific levy could be
		rate outside \$3.64 cap (SB 507		dedicated for use in county in which it is
Property Tax	NRS 361	2003 Session)]	special districts	imposed.

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			<u> </u>	
			State Rate: Nevada	
			Commission on Tourism	
			- 3/8 of 1%, Local fair	
			and recreation board -	
			5/8 of 1%, Clark County	
	Ì		School District Fund for	
			capital projects - 1 5/8%	Impose an additional tax on the gross
		State Rate: 2% - Clark County,	of 2%	receipts from the rental of transient lodging
	NRS 244.3352;	1% - All Other Counties	Local distribution or use	statewide or in specific counties with the
	NRS 268.096;	Local Rate: Varies depending		proceeds dedicated to the State Highway
	NRS 244.3351;	on specific city/county rates		Fund in general or for use in county where
Room Tax	Various Special Acts	imposed	imposed.	room tax is imposed.
			•	
				The rate of taxation on motor vehicles shall
1				not exceed 5 cents per dollar of assessed
		•		value pursuant to subsection 5 of section 1 of
				Article 10 of the Nevada Constitution. NRS
				371.040 imposes the statewide 4-cent basic
			Basic GST (4 cents)	GST. NRS 371.045 authorizes the county to
	1		distributed to school	impose optional GST of not more than 1-cent
1		4 cents per \$1 of valuation	districts and local	for projects related to public works
1		(basic rate);	governments;	construction and maintenance projects. The
		optional 1 cent per \$1 of	Supplemental GST (1	legislature has imposed or authorized the
ł .	NRS 371.040;	valuation authorized for	cent) remains in county	imposition of the full 5-cent levy allowed
Government Services Tax	NRS 371.045	counties (supplemental rate)	where imposed	under Article 10 of the Constitution.

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TAX/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	TAX RATE/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	FUNDING PROPOSAL
			State Share (17.65	
			cents) - State Highway	
			Fund; City/County Share	
			(5.35 cents) - Proceeds]
	1	Į	from 3.6 cents	
		{	distributed based on	
•			population/mileage	
		Mandatory State Rate - 23.0	formula, Proceeds from	
		cents (State Share - 17.65	1.75 cents distributed	
		cents, City/County Share - 5.35	based on assessed	Increase state gas tax.
	1	cents); Local Rate - 1 cent;	valuation formula; Local	2. Index current state mandatory gas tax to
		County Option (RTC Gas Tax) -	1-cent rate - Proceeds	inflation. Index only state share (17.65 cents)
		Maximum of 9 cents [Counties	distributed based on	and/or the city/county share (5.35 cents).
	NRS 365,175, 365,180,	with population less than	population formula;	3. Grant authority under NRS 373.065 to
	365,190, 365,192; NRS	400,000 may index rate to	County Option Rate -	Clark County to index the current 9 cent rate
Gas Tax	373.030; NRS	inflation with voter approval	County	to inflation with voter approval.
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	Ì	Diesel - 27 cents;		
		LPG - 22 cents;		l
		CNG - 21 cents;		Increase special fuels tax rates.
		Water-phased hydrocarbon fuel		2. Index current state special fuels tax rates
Special Fuels Tax	NRS 366.190	- 19 cents	State Highway Fund	to inflation.
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ļ		State 4 contr		
i		State - 1 cent;		
		City Option - 4 cents by a city in		
Į	1	a county whose population is less than 100,000;		
	1		Allocated to the least	Impose an additional levy on jet fuel but there
	1	County Option - 4 cents except		may be issues regarding the use of the
Let First Toy	NDC 265 470, 265 202	at an airport where city option	government entity that owns the airport	
Jet Fuel Tax	NRS 365,170, 365,203	tax is imposed	Towns the airport	proceeds to transportation projects.

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TAX/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	TAX RATE/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	FUNDING PROPOSAL
			Solid Waste	
			Management Account:	
			Allocated to Dept. of	<u> </u>
			Conservation and	
			Natural Resources,	
			Clark County District	
	ļ		Board of Health, and	
			Washoe County District	
			Board of Health to be	impose an additional fee per new tire with the
		\$1 per new tire imposed on	used for solid waste	proceeds dedicated to the State Highway
Tire Tax	NRS 444A.090	retail sales.	management	Fund.
				II
	1			Impose an additional fee for registration of
	NDO 400 400	Varies depending on weight	Otata I Salawaya Fund	trucks with the proceeds dedicated to the
Registration Fees on Trucks	NRS 482.482	and/or size (See note below)	State Highway Fund	State Highway Fund
	T	<u> </u>	<u></u>	Impose an additional fee to obtain a smog
			Pollution Control	certificate with the proceeds dedicated to the
Smog Certificate Fee	NRS 445B.830	\$6 per certificate	Account	State Highway Fund.
Smag Samuelo : Co	1.1.0	140 bo. 401 m.	11	
			State Highway Fund;	
İ			Program for the	
		\$33 for motor vehicles;		
		\$33 plus \$6 for motorcycles;	Riders - \$6 on	motor vehicles with the proceeds dedicated to
Motor Vehicle Registration Fee	NRS 482.480	\$27 for travel trailers	motorcycles	the State Highway Fund.
			The control of	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
			Park construction and	
	NDB 970 4000	1	maintenance;	language and distance for an the access with a
	NRS 278.4983,		transportation	Impose an additional fee on the construction
	NRS 278.710,		improvements; school	of residential dwelling units dedicated to the
Residential Construction Impact Fee	INKS 387.331	Varies depending on purpose	construction	State Highway Fund.

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	AUTHORIZING TAX/FEE FOR STATE AND/OR	STATE AND/OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT	DISTRIBUTION FOR STATE AND/OR	TRANSPORTATION TRANSPORTATION
TAX/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	TAX RATE/FEE	LOCAL GOVERNMENT	FUNDING PROPOSAL
		1	Proceeds are used by	
	1	ļ	the Taxicab Authority to	
		1	defray costs of	
			regulating taxicabs in	
			Clark County and	
			provided funding to the	
			Aging Services Division	
	i		to subsidize	
			transportation in	
			taxicabs for elderly	Impose an additional per trip fee on taxicabs
			persons and persons	with the proceeds dedicated to the State
Taxicab Trip Fee	NRS 706.8826	Maximum of 20 cents per trip	with disabilities.	Highway Fund.
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			Distribution of proceeds	
			from fees/fines depends	
			upon the jurisdiction	Impose an additional fee/fine on traffic
		Fee/fine depends upon the	where the violation	citations in Chapter 484 with the proceeds
Traffic and Parking Citations	NRS 484	violation	occurred.	dedicated to the State Highway Fund.
			10	
		1	Quarterly Fees -	
			Restricted/Nonrestricted:	
			State General Fund	
			except for allocation of	
		1	\$2/machine/quarter	
			made to the Account to	
		O I I O I I To a Dankton I	Support Programs for	
		Quarterly Slot Fees: Restricted		
		Licenses - \$81 per machine per		
	{	quarter for 1 to 5 machines and		
		\$405 plus \$141 for each	Annual Fees: Capital	
		machine in excess of 5 up to 15		
		per quarter;	Higher Education	lunese en odditional foe per alet
		Non Restricted Licenses - \$20	(\$5,000,000), Special	Impose an additional fee per slot machine
		per quarter per machine;	Capital Construction	with the proceeds dedicated to the State
	NDQ 400 070 400 075	Annual Fees: Both restricted	Fund (20%), Distributive	
	NRS 463.373; 463.375;	and nonrestricted licenses pay	School Account	imposed quarterly or annually and on either
Slot Tax	463.385	\$250 per machine	(Remainder)	restricted or nonrestricted machines or both.

DESCRIPTION

SALES TAX

STATE MANDATORY RATES: State 2% (NRS 372), LSST = Local School Support Tax - 2.25% (NRS 374); BCCRT = Basic City/County Relief Tax - 0.5% (NRS 377); SCCRT = Supplemental City/County Relief Tax - 1.75% (NRS 377)

Ten of Nevada's 17 counties impose at least one optional sales tax rate. The counties that impose these rates, and the uses for the optional rates, are listed below.

Carson City - Open Space (0.25%), Road Repair (0.25%), V&T Railroad (0.125%) - TOTAL RATE 7.125%

Churchill - Local Government Tax Act of 1991 (0.25%), Road Repair (0.25%), Infrastructure Improvements (0.25%) - TOTAL RATE 7.25%

Clark - Flood Control (0.25%), Mass Transit/Air Quality (0.50%), Southern Nevada Water Authority (0.25%), County Police Support (0.25%) - TOTAL RATE 7.75%

Douglas - Tax Ordinance (0.25%) - TOTAL RATE 6.75%

Lander - Water Treatment (0.25%) - TOTAL RATE 6.75%

Lincoln - Road Repair (0.25%) - TOTAL RATE 6.75%

Nye - Road Repair (0.25%) - TOTAL RATE 6.75%*

Storey - V&T Railroad (0.25%), Tourism (0.25%), School/Public Utilities (0.25%) - Total Rate 7.25%

Washoe - Flood Control/Public Safety (0.125%), Mass Transit (0.375%), Local Government Tax Act of 1991 (0.25%), ReTRAC Project (0.125%) - TOTAL RATE 7.375% White Pine - Road Repair (0.25%), School Capital Improvements (0.125%), Severe Financial Emergency (0.25%), Public Safety/Judicial (0.25%) - TOTAL RATE 7.375%

NET PROCEEDS OF MINERALS

NRS 362,140 generally defines the tax rate on the net proceeds of minerals by using the following table, based on the ratio of net proceeds to gross proceeds:

Ratio of Net Proceeds to Gross Proceeds	Tax Rate as a Percentage of Net Procee
Less than 10 percent	2.0
10 or more, but less than 18%	2.5
18 or more, but less than 26%	3.0
26 or more, but less than 34%	3.5
34 or more, but less than 42%	4.0
42 or more, but less than 50%	4.5
50 percent or more	5.0

The following are exceptions to the above table, as provided in NRS 362.140:

- 1) If the property tax rate at the situs of the operation exceeds 2 percent, then the minimum rate that may be imposed is the ad valorem rate in that district.
- The tax upon royalties is 5 percent.
- 3) The tax upon the net proceeds of a geothermal operation is imposed at the ad valorem rate for the district where the operation is located.
- 4) If the total net proceeds for a calendar year exceeds \$4 million, the operation is taxed at the 5 percent rate.

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION IMPACT FEES

Current statute authorizes three different fees upon the construction of residential structures in Nevada. These are as follows:

NRS 278.4983 allows a county or city to impose, by ordinance, a tax equal to 1 percent of the value of the building permit (not to exceed \$1,000) on each permit for a residential structure within that jurisdiction. The proceeds must go to the construction of parks within that jurisdiction.

NRS 278.710 allows a county to impose, by ordinance, a tax on each permit for a residential stucture within that jurisdiction for road construction and maintenance, provided that a question on the tax is placed on a general election ballot and approved by a majority of voters within that county. The tax may not exceed a maximum that is established within statute — currently, the maximum that may be imposed per residential structure is \$700.

NRS 387.331 allows the imposition, in school districts where the population is less than 50,000, a residential construction tax of up to \$1,600 per unit, with the proceeds required to go to the capital construction fund of that county's school district. This fee must be paid on each house, mobile home lot, or unit in an apartment building constructed within a county that has imposed this tax.

^{*} Nye County received authorization under Senate Bill 461 of the 2007 Session to enact an ordinance that would increase its sales and use tax by up to 0.50 percent for the purpose of equipping firefighters, sheriffs, and other public safety personnel within the county, effective October 1, 2007. As of February 15, 2008, Nye County has not yet adopted an ordinance for this purpose.

NOTES FOR TABLE 2

REGISTRATION FEES ON TRUCKS

Registration Fees: \$33 - if less than 6,000 lbs; \$38 - 6,000 to 8,499 lbs; \$48 - 8,500 to 10,000 lbs; \$12/1,000 lbs - 10,001 to 26,000 lbs; \$17/1,000 lbs - 26,001 to 80,000 lbs up to maximum fee of \$1,360

Permit Fees: \$60/1,000 lbs - reducible-load units between 80,000 and 129,000 pounds; \$10 - overlength vehicles (over 70 feet) hauling reducible loads less than 80,000 lbs; \$60 - non-reducible loads carried on over legal-size or weight vehicles.

TABLE 3
ADDITIONAL TAX/FEE PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION TO FUND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

TAX/FEE	CURRENT NRS IMPOSING/ AUTHORIZING TAX/FEE	PROPOSED DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUES	DESCRIPTION OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PROPOSAL
			Levy a tax in cents per gallon brought into
Pipeline Fuel Tax	Not Applicable	State Highway Fund	Nevada through the gas pipeline.
Nevada Transportation Authority	NRS 706.465 - Charter Limousines \$100/vehicle; NRS 706.471 - Taxicabs \$75/vehicle; NRS 706.451 - Tow Cars \$36/vehicle; NRS 706.749 - Employer Van Pools \$10/vehicle; NRS 712.050 Warehouse Permits \$50/permit	State Highway Fund	Impose a fee to include household movers. Increase existing fees for those vehicles under the authority of the NTA.
Accident Fee	NRS 484.803	State Highway Fund	Impose an administrative fee to the person at fault in a traffic accident

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APPENDIX C

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BDR 43-363 Provides for the Imposition of an Additional Fee Against Persons Who Cause Certain Vehicular Accidents.