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## Elko County Board of Commissioners

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**Honorable Dina Neal, Chair**  
**Nevada Assembly Taxation Committee**  
401 South Carson Street  
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**Support for SB48 – Authorizes certain local governments to increase diesel taxes under certain circumstances. (BDR 32-481)**

**Dear Chair Neal:**

The Elko County Board of Commissioners supports the passage of SB48. We believe this enabling legislation that requires County Commission or voter approval will assist rural Counties under 100,000 population in their efforts to fund road maintenance and infrastructure needs. Elko County is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest County by area in the Continental United States with 17,000 square miles or 11 million acres. A large geographical area with close to 54,000 population provides ample challenges as the County works to provide adequate transportation routes for commerce, recreation and other needs of our citizens. This legislation will provide an additional option to improve road services in Elko County.

Local government currently receives gasoline tax revenues but does not receive diesel tax to assist in road services in our area. The process requires and Elko County embraces a public process for local approval. The revenues, if approved locally, will be distributed to the County as well as our Cities.

Sincerely,

**Rex Steninger, Chair**  
**Elko County Board of Commissioners**

Cc: Honorable Pete Goicoechea, Nevada State Senate  
Honorable John Ellison, Nevada State Assembly  
Dagny Stapleton, NACO Executive Director  
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