

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4–
Committee on Revenue

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Rejecting Initiative
Petition No. 1.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

