

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
TAXATION COMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE SENATE

April 6, 1979

The seventy-first meeting of the Taxation Committee was held on the above date in Room 415 of the State Capitol Building, starting at 2 o'clock, with Chairman Turnage presiding.

ROLL CALL: Roll call found all the members present, except Senator Manley who was excused.

The committee first considered HB287, personal income tax exemption bill. They agreed to raise the exemption to \$1000 and Senator McCallum Moved this Exemption. The motion carried; see roll call vote attached.

Senator McCallum then Moved HB287 As Amended, Be Concurred In. Motion carried 8-4, roll call vote.

HB221 was next up for executive action and Senator Towe made a motion for amendments; this was carried.

Senator Goodover then Moved HB221 As Amended Be Concurred In. Motion carried 9-3 by roll call vote.

HB915 was up for discussion and amendments were introduced. Sen. Watt Moved to Amend the bill; his motion was carried. Senator Manley moved the bill be tabled and as a substitute motion Sen. Watt moved the bill Be Concurred In. There was a tie vote, 6-6, thus the bill will remain in committee temporarily.

Senator Norman Moved to Table HB512; his motion carried, however "No" votes were cast by Sens. Towe and Watt.

HB 398 was next up for executive action and Senator Watt presented amendments to the bill. He moved the Amendments be Adopted to HB398; his motion was carried.

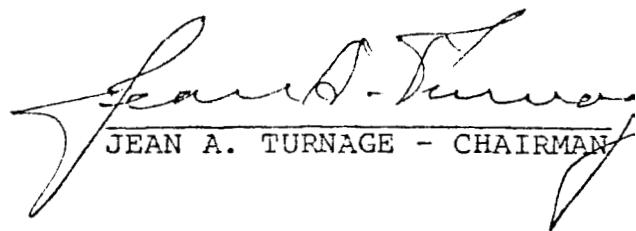
The committee then discussed adopting a resolution to direct the Department of Revenue to make a study of its administrative rules regarding the appraisal of motor vehicles for property tax purposes. This motion was made by Senator Severson and carried; Senator Watt voted "No", as did Senator Roskie.

Senator Severson then distributed a chart showing proposed rates on motor vehicles. The fee system of taxing motor vehicles was discussed then by the members and HB848, still in committee, was thought to be the vehicle whereby such a system could be incorporated. HB385 was also discussed, a bill dealing with recreation vehicles. Mr. Zinnecker was present at this meeting and discussed with the committee the fiscal impact such legislation would bring on local governments. The committee, as they have previously, hoped to arrive at a more equitable method of taxing vehicles

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without putting the burden on property tax owners. They repeatedly expressed their concern also that if an acceptable fee system were to be adopted, the fiscal impact and ensuing loss of revenue would not be too severe on local governments. Senator Severson wanted to include recreation vehicles into HB848 and the committee will again consider such action.

Meeting was adjourned.



JEAN A. TURNAGE - CHAIRMAN

Date 4-6-79

ROLL CALL

SENATE TAXATION COMMITTEE

2 p.m.

46th LEGISLATIVE SESSION - 1979

Each Day Attach to Minutes.

SENATE COMMITTEE TAXATIONDate 4-6-79 House Bill No. 287 Time 2:15

NAME	YES	NO
SEN. GOODOVER (Vice Chairman)	X	
SEN. BROWN	X	
SEN. HAGER	X	
SEN. MANLEY		X
SEN. MANNING		X
SEN. MCCOLLUM	X	
SEN. NORMAN		X
SEN. ROSKIE	X	
SEN. SEVERSON	X	
SEN. TOWE		X
SEN. WATT		X
CHAIRMAN TURNAGE	X	

Nita Fjeseth
SecretaryJean A. Turnage
Chairman

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Motion: Amend to Raise Exemption
to \$1000
The following
Motion

(include enough information on motion--put with yellow copy of committee report.)

SENATE COMMITTEE TAXATION

Date 4-6-79 Place Plains Bill No. 257 Time 7:20

NAME	YES	NO
SEN. GOODOVER (Vice Chairman)	X	
SEN. BROWN	X	
SEN. HAGER	X	
SEN. MANLEY	X	
SEN. MANNING		X
SEN. MCCOLLUM	X	
SEN. NORMAN		X
SEN. ROSKIE	X	
SEN. SEVERSON	X	
SEN. TOWE		X
SEN. WATT		X
CHAIRMAN TURNAGE	X	

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Nita Fjeseth
Secretary

Jean A. Turnage
Chairman

Motion:

Is Am. B. Considered, Voted

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SENATE COMMITTEE TAXATION

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Date 4-6

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Bill No. 221Time 1:20

NAME	YES	NO
SEN. GOODOVER (Vice Chairman)	X	
SEN. BROWN	X	
SEN. HAGER	X	
SEN. MANLEY	X	
SEN. MANNING		X
SEN. MCCOLLUM	X	
SEN. NORMAN		X
SEN. ROSKIE	X	
SEN. SEVERSON	X	
SEN. TOWE	X	
SEN. WATT		X
CHAIRMAN TURNAGE	X	

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Chairman

Motion:

As It Is Be Considered.Carried

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SENATE COMMITTEE TAXATION

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Date 4-6Name New Bill No. 915 Time 2:45

NAME	YES	NO
SEN. GOODOVER (Vice Chairman)	X	
SEN. BROWN	X	
SEN. HAGER		X
SEN. MANLEY		X
SEN. MANNING	X	
SEN. MCCOLLUM		X
SEN. NORMAN		X
SEN. ROSKIE		X
SEN. SEVERSON		X
SEN. TOWE	X	
SEN. WATT	X	
CHAIRMAN TURNAGE	X	

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Motion:

As Am B Concl(Subst Motion)

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