House Bill 427

In The House

January 23, 1981

Introduced and referred to Committee on Taxation.

February 13, 1981

Committee recommend bill

do not pass.

TO IMPOSE A TAX ON HOTEL ROOM RENTAL CHARGES IF THE
MUNICIPALITIES OF THE COUNTY HAVING HOTELS WITHIN THEIR
CORPORATE BOUNDARIES AGREE TO THE IMPOSITION OF THE TAX AND
THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROCEEDS.**

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE COUNTIES

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Hotel facility tax authorized -- countywide -- interlocal agreement. (1) As provided in this section a county governing body, in agreement with the governing bodies of all municipalities in the county having hotels within their corporate boundaries, is authorized and empowered to impose a hotel facility tax.

- (2) A hotel facility tax is a tax on hotel room rentals. The rate of the tax may not exceed 10%. The tax is imposed upon the room rental charged each guest in the hotel each day.
- (3) The hotel facility tax must be imposed countywide. Each municipality having a hotel within its corporate boundary must agree to the imposition of the tax by interlocal agreement as provided in Title 7, chapter 11, part 1. There shall be one interlocal agreement on the hotel

facility tax with all applicable local government units in the county being signatories of the agreement.

- (4) The interlocal agreement must include the manner in which the tax is to be collected and the manner in which the tax proceeds are to be distributed to the signatory local governments. The interlocal agreement may include the rate of the tax and any administrative provisions the signatory local governments consider necessary. The interlocal agreement may be amended at any time through mutual agreement by all the signatory local governments.
- (5) The county must impose the tax by resolution. The resolution shall be in conformity with the interlocal agreement.
- (6) As used in this section, "hotel" means a building containing individual sleeping rooms or suites for providing overnight lodging facilities to the general public for compensation, including those facilities represented to the public as a hotel, motel, resort, inn, motor court, or public lodging house. Not included in the term "hotel" are roominghouses, retirement homes, or other multiunit structures that provide accommodations for persons that are rented on other than a daily or weekly basis.

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