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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE
5	CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY FOR PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES;
6	AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-101, 15-6-133, 15-6-134, 15-6-136,
7	15-6-138, 15-6-145, 15-6-201, 15-8-205, 15-10-402,
8	15-16-611, 15-24-1102, 15-24-1103, AND 67-3-204, MCA;
9	REPEALING SECTIONS 15-6-139, 15-6-140, 15-6-142, 15-6-146
10	THROUGH 15-6-148, 15-6-150, AND 15-6-155, MCA; AND PROVIDING
11	AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
14	Section 1. Section 15-1-101, MCA, is amended to read:
15	*15-1-101. Definitions. (1) Except as otherwise
16	specifically provided, when terms mentioned in this section
17	are used in connection with taxation, they are defined in
18	the following manner:
19	(a) The term "agricultural" refersto means the
20	raising of livestock, poultry, bees, and other species of
21	domestic animals and wildlife in domestication or a captive
22	environment, and the raising of field crops, fruit, and
23	other animal and vegetable matter for food or fiber.
24	(b) The term "assessed value" means the value of

1	(c) The term "average wholesale value" means the value
2	to a dealer prior to reconditioning and profit margin shown
3	in national appraisal guides and manuals or the valuation
4	schedules of the department of revenue.
5	(d) (i) The term "commercial", when used to describe
6	property, means any property used or owned by a business, a
7	trade, or a nonprofit corporation as defined in 35-2-102 or
8	used for the production of income, except that property
9	described in subsection (ii).
10	(ii) The following types of property are not
11	commercial:
12	<pre>(A) agricultural lands;</pre>
13	(B) timberlands;
14	(C) single-family residences and ancillary
15	improvements and improvements necessary to the function of a
16	bona fide farm, ranch, or stock operation;
17	(D) mobile homes used exclusively as a residence
18	except when held by a distributor or dealer of trailers or
19	mobile homes as his stock in trade;
20	(E) all property described in 15-6-135; and
21	(F) all property described in 15-6-136;-and
22	(G)all-property-described-in-15-6-146.
23	(e) The term "comparable property" means property that
24	has similar use, function, and utility; that is influenced

by the same set of economic trends and physical,

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- (f) The term "credit" means solvent debts, secured or unsecured, owing to a person.
- (g) The term "improvements" includes means all buildings, structures, fences, and improvements situated upon, erected upon, or affixed to land. When the department of revenue or its agent determines that the permanency of location of a mobile home or housetrailer has established, the mobile home or housetrailer is presumed to be an improvement to real property. A mobile home or housetrailer may--be--determined--to-be-permanently-located only-when-it--is--attached--to--a--foundation--which--cannot feasibly--be--relocated-and-only-when-the-wheels-are-removed used as a residence is an improvement, whether or not it is affixed to the land.
- (h) The "leasehold improvements" term improvements to mobile homes and mobile homes located on land owned by another person. This property is assessed under the appropriate classification and the taxes are due and payable in two payments as provided in 15-24-202 15-16-102. Delinquent taxes on such leasehold improvements are a lien only on such leasehold improvements.
- 24 (i) The term "livestock" means cattle, sheep, swine, 25 goats, horses, mules, and asses, llamas, and bison.

- 1 (i) The term "mobile home" means forms of housing shelter known as "trailers", "housetrailers", or "trailer 3 coaches" exceeding 8 feet in width or 45 feet in length, designed to be moved from one place to another by an independent power connected to them, or any "trailer", "housetrailer", or "trailer coach" up to 8 feet in width or 7 45 feet in length used as a principal residence.
- 8 (k) The term "personal property" includes means 9 everything that is the subject of ownership but that is not 10 included within the meaning of the terms "real estate" and 11 "improvements".
 - (1) The term "poultry" includes means all chickens. turkeys, geese, ducks, and other birds raised in domestication to produce food or feathers.
- (m) The term "property" includes-moneys means money, credits, bonds, stocks, franchises, and all other matters and things, real, personal, and mixed, capable of private ownership. This definition must may not be construed to authorize the taxation of the stocks of any company or corporation when the property of such the company or 21 corporation represented by the stocks is within the state 22 and has been taxed.
 - (n) The term "real estate" includes means:
- 24 (i) the possession of, claim to, ownership of, or right to the possession of land; 25

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(ii) all mines, minerals, and quarries in and under the land subject to the provisions of 15-23-501 and Title 15. chapter 23, part 8; all timber belonging to individuals or corporations growing or being on the lands of the United States; and all rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

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- (o) "Research and development firm" means an entity incorporated under the laws of this state or a foreign corporation authorized to do business in this state whose principal purpose is to engage in theoretical analysis, exploration, and experimentation and the extension of investigative findings and theories of a scientific and technical nature into practical application for experimental and demonstration purposes, including the experimental production and testing of models, devices, equipment, materials, and processes.
- (p) The term "taxable value" means the percentage of 16 market or assessed value as provided for in 15-6-131-through 15-6-149 this title.
 - (q) The term "weighted mean assessment ratio" means the total of the assessed values divided by the total of the selling prices of all area sales in the stratum.
- "municipal corporation" (2) The phrase 22 "municipality" or "taxing unit" shall-be-deemed--to--include 23 means a county, city, incorporated town, township, school 24 district, irrigation district, drainage district, or any 25

person, persons, or organized body authorized by law to establish tax levies for the purpose of raising public revenue.

(3) The term "state board" or "board" when used 4 without other qualification shall-mean means the state tax appeal board." 6

Section 2. Section 15-6-133, MCA, is amended to read: "15-6-133. Class three property -- description -taxable percentage. (1) Class three property includes:

- (a) agricultural land as defined in 15-7-202; and
- (b) nonproductive patented mining claims outside the limits of an incorporated city or town held by an owner for the ultimate purpose of developing the mineral interests on the property. Class three does not include any property that is used for residential purposes, recreational purposes as described in 70-16-301, or commercial purposes as defined in 15-1-101 or if the surface is being used for other than mining purposes or has a separate and independent value for other purposes.
- (2) Improvements to class three property that would 20 21 not disqualify the parcel from designation as class three property are taxes as otherwise provided in this title, including that portion of the land upon which the 23 improvements are located and that is reasonably required for 24 25 the use of the improvements.

1	(2)(3) Class three property is taxed at the-taxable
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6	shall-determine-the-taxable-percentage-rate"P"applicable
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12	the-department-to-the-taxable-p	ercentage-rate#P#untila
13	revaluation-has-been-made-as-pr	ovided-in-15-7-111:
14	Section 3. Section 15-6-	134, MCA, is amended to read:
15	*15-6-134. Class four p	property description
16	taxable percentage. (1) Class	our property includes:
17	(a) all land except the	nat specifically included in
18	another class;	
19	(b) all improvements	except those specifically
20	included in another class;	
21	(c) the first \$80,000	or less of the market value of
22	any improvement on real proper	ty and appurtenant land not
23	exceeding 5 acres owned or	under contract for deed and

actually occupied for at least 10 months a year as the primary residential dwelling of any person whose total

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whole dollar amount.

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- income from all sources including otherwise tax-exempt income of all types is not more than \$10,000 for a single person or \$12,000 for a married couple, as adjusted according to subsection (2)(b)(ii);
 - (d) all golf courses, including land and improvements actually and necessarily used for that purpose, that consist of at least 9 holes and not less than 3,000 lineal yards.
 - (2) Class four property is taxed as follows:

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- (a) Except as provided in 15-24-1402 or 15-24-1501, property described in subsections (1)(a) and (1)(b) is taxed at 3.86% of its market value.
- (b) (i) Property described in subsection (1)(c) is taxed at 3.86% of its market value multiplied by a percentage figure based on income and determined from the following table:

16	Income	Income	Percentage
17	Single Person	Married Couple	Multiplier
18	\$ 0 - \$ 1,000	\$ 0 - \$ 1,200	0%
19	1,001 - 2,000	1,201 - 2,400	10%
20	2,001 ~ 3,000	2,401 - 3,600	20%
21	3,001 - 4,000	3,601 - 4,800	30%
22	4,001 - 5,000	4,801 - 6,000	40%
23	5,001 - 6,000	6,001 - 7,200	50%
24	6,001 - 7,000	7,201 - 8,400	60%
25	7,001 - 8,000	8,401 - 9,600	70%

1	8,001 -	9,000	9,601 -	10,800	80%
2	9,001 -	10,000	10,801 -	12,000	90%

- 3 (ii) The income levels contained in the table in 4 subsection (2)(b)(i) must be adjusted for inflation annually 5 by the department of revenue. The adjustment to the income 6 levels is determined by:
- 7 (A) multiplying the appropriate dollar amount from the 8 table in subsection (2)(b)(i) by the ratio of the PCE for 9 the second quarter of the year prior to the year of 10 application to the PCE for the second quarter of 1986; and 11 (B) rounding the product thus obtained to the nearest
- 13 (iii) "PCE" means the implicit price deflator for 14 personal consumption expenditures as published quarterly in 15 the Survey of Current Business by the bureau of economic 16 analysis of the U.S. department of commerce.
- 17 (c) Property described in subsection (1)(d) is taxed 18 at one-half the taxable percentage rate established in 19 subsection (2)(a).
- 20 †3)--After--July--17-19867-no-adjustment-may-be-made-by
 21 the-department-to-the-taxable-percentage-rate-for-class-four
 22 property-until-a-revaluation-has-been-made--as--provided--in
 23 ±5-7-±±±
 - (4)(3) Within the meaning of comparable property as defined in 15-1-101, property assessed as commercial

- property is comparable only to other property assessed as commercial property, and property assessed as other than commercial property is comparable only to other property assessed as other than commercial property.
- (4) For the purposes of this section, all mobile homes are considered to be improvements."
- 7 Section 4. Section 15-6-136, MCA, is amended to read:
 8 "15-6-136. Class six property -- description --
 - taxable percentage. (1) Class six property includes:

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- 10 (a) livestock and other species of domestic animals
 11 and wildlife raised in domestication or a captive
 12 environment, except for cats, dogs, and other household pets
 13 not raised for profit;
- 14 (b) items of personal property intended for <u>rent or</u>
 15 lease in the ordinary course of business, provided each item
 16 of personal property satisfies all of the following:
- 17 (i) the full and true value of the personal property 18 is less than \$5,000:
 - (ii) the personal property is owned by a business whose primary business income is from rental or lease of personal property to individuals wherein no one customer of the business accounts for more than 10% of the total rentals or leases during a calendar year; and
- 24 (iii) the lease of the personal property is generally 25 on an hourly, daily, or weekly basis; and

- 1 (c) machinery and equipment used in a malting barley
 2 facility.
- (2) "Malting barley facility" means a facility the principal purpose of which is to malt malting barley. The term does not apply to a facility the principal purpose of which is to store, mix, blend, transport, transfer, or otherwise do anything with malting barley, except malt 7 malting barley. However, any machinery or equipment the 9 principal purpose of which is to store, mix, blend, transport, transfer, or otherwise handle malting barley or 10 other machinery or equipment that is used in or is otherwise 11 12 an integral part of a facility that malts malting barley is 13 machinery or equipment of a malting barley facility for the purposes of this section. 14
- 15 (3) Class six property is taxed at 4% of its market value."
- Section 5. Section 15-6-138, MCA, is amended to read:
- 18 "15-6-138. Class eight property -- description -19 taxable percentage. (1) Class eight property includes:
 - (a) all agricultural implements and equipment;
- 21 (b) all mining machinery, fixtures, equipment, tools
 22 that are not exempt under 15-6-201(1)(r), and supplies
 23 except:
- 24 tit those included in class five; and

- 1 (c) all manufacturing machinery, fixtures, equipment,
 2 tools that are not exempt under 15-6-201(1)(r), and supplies
 3 except those included in class five:
- 4 (d) all trailers, including those prorated under 5 15-24-102, except those subject to taxation under 6 61-3-504(2);
- 7 (e) all goods and equipment intended for rent or 8 lease, except goods and equipment specifically included and 9 taxed in another class;
- 10 (f) buses and trucks having a rated capacity of more 11 than 1 ton, including those prorated under 15-24-102; and
- 12 (g) all other machinery except that specifically included in another class:
- 14 (h) truck toppers weighing more than 300 pounds;
- (i) furniture, fixtures, and equipment, except that
- 16 specifically included in another class, used in commercial
- 17 establishments as defined in this section;
- 18 (j) x-ray and medical and dental equipment;
- 19 (k) citizens' band radios and mobile telephones;
- 20 <u>(1)</u> radio and television broadcasting and transmitting
 21 equipment;
- 22 (m) cable television systems;
- 23 (n) coal and ore haulers;
- 24 (o) theater projectors and sound equipment; and
- 25 (p) all other property not included in any other class

- in this part except that property subject to a fee in lieu

 of property tax.
- 3 (3) "Commercial establishment" means any hotel; motel;
 4 office; petroleum marketing station; or service, wholesale,
 5 retail, or food-handling business.
- 6 (2)(4) Class eight property is taxed at 11% of its
 7 market value."
- Section 6. Section 15-6-145, MCA, is amended to read:

 "15-6-145. Class fifteen property -- description -taxable percentage. (1) Class fifteen property includes all
 railroad transportation property as described in the
 Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 as
 it read on January 1, 1986, and all airline transportation
 property as described in the Tax Equity and Fiscal
 Responsibility Act of 1982 as it read on January 1, 1986.
- 16 (2) For the taxable year beginning January 1, 1986, 17 and for each taxable year thereafter, class fifteen property 18 is taxed at the percentage rate "R", to be determined by the 19 department as provided in subsection (3), or 12%, whichever 20 is less.
- 21 (3) R = A/B where:
- 22 (a) A is the total statewide taxable value of all 23 commercial property, except class fifteen property, as 24 commercial property is described in 15-1-101(1)(d), 25 including class 1 and class 2 property; and

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(b) B is the total statewide market value of all commercial property, except class fifteen property, as commercial property is described in 15-1-101(1)(d), including class 1 and class 2 property.

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- 5 (4) (a) For the taxable year beginning January 1,
 6 1986, and for every taxable year thereafter, the department
 7 shall conduct a sales assessment ratio study of all
 8 commercial and industrial real property and improvements.
 9 The study must be based on:
- 10 (i) assessments of such property as of January 1 of 11 the year for which the study is being conducted; and
 - (ii) a statistically valid sample of sales using data from realty transfer certificates filed during the same taxable year or from the immediately preceding taxable year, but only if a sufficient number of certificates is unavailable from the current taxable year to provide a statistically valid sample.
 - (b) The department shall determine the value-weighted mean sales assessment ratio "M" for all such property and reduce the taxable value of property described in subsection (4) only, by multiplying the total statewide taxable value of property described in subsection (4) by "M" prior to calculating "A" in subsection (3).
- 24 (c) The adjustment referred to in subsection (4)(b)
 25 will be made beginning January 1, 1986, and in each

- 1 subsequent tax year to equalize the railroad taxable values.
- 2 (5) For the purpose of complying with the Railroad
 3 Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, as it read
 4 on January 1, 1986, the rate "R" referred to in this section
 5 is the equalized average tax rate generally applicable to
 6 commercial and industrial property, except class fifteen
 7 property, as commercial property is defined in
- 9 (6) For the purpose of complying with the Tax Equity
 10 and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982, as it read on January
 11 1, 1986, the rate "R" referred to in this section is the
 12 equalized average tax rate generally applicable to
 13 commercial and industrial property, except class fifteen
 14 property, as commercial property is defined in
 15 15-1-101(1)(d)."
- Section 7. Section 15-6-201, MCA, is amended to read:

 17 "15-6-201. Exempt categories. (1) The following

 18 categories of property are exempt from taxation:
 - (a) the property of:
- (i) the United States, the state, counties, cities, towns, school districts, except, if congress passes legislation that allows the state to tax property owned by an agency created by congress to transmit or distribute electrical energy, the property constructed, owned, or operated by a public agency created by the congress to

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- 1 transmit or distribute electric energy produced at privately 2 owned generating facilities (not including rural electric cooperatives):
- 4 (ii) irrigation districts organized under the laws of 5 Montana and not operating for profit;
- 6 (iii) municipal corporations; and
- 7 (iv) public libraries:

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- 8 (b) buildings, with land they occupy and furnishings 9 therein, owned by a church and used for actual religious 10 worship or for residences of the clergy, together with 11 adjacent land reasonably necessary for convenient use of the 12 buildings:
 - (c) property used exclusively for agricultural and horticultural societies, for educational purposes, and for nonprofit health care facilities, as defined in 50-5-101, licensed by the department of health and environmental sciences and organized under Title 35, chapter 2 or 3. A health care facility that is not licensed by the department of health and environmental sciences and organized under Title 35, chapter 2 or 3, is not exempt.
 - (d) property that meets the following conditions:
- 22 (i) is owned and held by any association or 23 corporation organized under Title 35, chapter 2, 3, 20, or 24 21:
- 25 (ii) is devoted exclusively to use in connection with a

- cemetery or cemeteries for which a permanent care and
- improvement fund has been established as provided for in
- Title 35, chapter 20, part 3; and 3
- 4 (iii) is not maintained and operated for private or 5 corporate profit:
- 6 (e) institutions of purely public charity;

or equipping the family residence;

- 7 (f) evidence of debt secured by mortgages of record 8 upon real or personal property in the state of Montana;
- 9 (g) public art galleries and public observatories not 10 used or held for private or corporate profit;
- 11 (h) all household goods and furniture, including but not limited to clocks, musical instruments, sewing machines, 12 13 and wearing apparel of members of the family, used by the owner for personal and domestic purposes or for furnishing 14
- 16 (i) a truck canopy cover or topper weighing less than 17 300 pounds and having no accommodations attached. This property is also exempt from taxation under 61-3-504(2) and 18 61-3-537. 19
- 20 (j) a bicycle, as defined in 61-1-123, used by the owner for personal transportation purposes; 21
- 22 (k) motor homes, travel trailers, and campers;
- 23 (1) all watercraft;

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24 (m) land, fixtures, buildings, and improvements owned 25 a cooperative association or nonprofit corporation LC 0071/01

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organized to furnish potable water to its members or customers for uses other than the irrigation of agricultural land;

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- (n) the right of entry that is a property right reserved in land or received by mesne conveyance (exclusive of leasehold interests), devise, or succession to enter land whose surface title is held by another to explore, prospect, or dig for oil, gas, coal, or minerals:
- 9 (o) property owned and used by a corporation or 10 association organized and operated exclusively for the care 11 of the developmentally disabled, mentally ill, or 12 vocationally handicapped as defined in 18-5-101, which is 13 not operated for gain or profit;
 - (p) all farm buildings with a market value of less than \$500 and all agricultural implements and machinery with a market value of less than \$100;
 - (q) property owned by a nonprofit corporation organized to provide facilities primarily for training and practice for or competition in international sports and athletic events and not held or used for private or corporate gain or profit. For purposes of this subsection (q), "nonprofit corporation" means an organization exempt from taxation under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and incorporated and admitted under the Montana Nonprofit Corporation Act.

- 1 (r) provided the tools are owned by the taxpayer, the 2 first \$15,000 or less of market value of tools that are 3 customarily hand-held and that are used to:
- (i) construct, repair, and maintain improvements toreal property; or
- (ii) repair and maintain machinery, equipment,
 appliances, or other personal property;
 - (s) harness, saddlery, and other tack equipment; and
 - (t) a title plant owned by a title insurer or a title agent, as those terms are defined in 33-25-105; and
- 11 <u>(u) all aircraft that are not considered airline</u>
 12 <u>transportation property as described in the Tax Equity and</u>
 13 <u>Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 and thereby included in</u>
 14 15-6-147.
 - (2) (a) The term "institutions of purely public charity" includes organizations owning and operating facilities for the care of the retired or aged or chronically ill, which are not operated for gain or profit.
- 19 (b) The terms "public art galleries" and "public 20 observatories" include only those art galleries and 21 observatories, whether of public or private ownership, that 22 are open to the public without charge at all reasonable 23 hours and are used for the purpose of education only.
- 24 (3) The following portions of the appraised value of a 25 capital investment made after January 1, 1979, in a

- recognized nonfossil form of energy generation, as defined in 15-32-102, are exempt from taxation for a period of 10 years following installation of the property:
- 4 (a) \$20,000 in the case of a single-family residential dwelling:
- 6 (b) \$100,000 in the case of a multifamily residential
 7 dwelling or a nonresidential structure."
- 8 Section 8. Section 15-8-205, MCA, is amended to read:
 9 "15-8-205. Initial assessment of class-twelve-property
- 10 ---when mobile homes. The county assessor shall assess all
- 11 class-twelve-property mobile homes immediately upon their
 12 arrival in the county if the taxes have not been previously
- 13 paid for that year in another county in Montana."
- 14 Section 9. Section 15-10-402, MCA, is amended to read:
- 15 "15-10-402. Property tax limited to 1986 levels. (1)
- 16 Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3), the amount of
- 17 taxes levied on property described in 15-6-133, 15-6-134,
- 18 15-6-136, 15-6-1397-15-6-1427 and 15-6-144 may not, for any
- 19 taxing jurisdiction, exceed the amount levied for taxable
- 20 year 1986.
- 21 (2) The limitation contained in subsection (1) does
- 22 not apply to levies for rural improvement districts, Title
- 23 7, chapter 12, part 21; special improvement districts, Title
- 7, chapter 12, part 41; or bonded indebtedness.
- 25 (3) New construction or improvements to or deletions

- from property described in subsection (1) are subject to
- 2 taxation at 1986 levels.
- 3 (4) As used in this section, the "amount of taxes
- 4 levied" and the "amount levied" mean the actual dollar
- 5 amount of taxes imposed on an individual piece of property,
- 6 notwithstanding an increase or decrease in value due to
- 7 inflation, reappraisal, adjustments in the percentage
- 8 multiplier used to convert appraised value to taxable value,
- 9 changes in the number of mills levied, or increase or
- 10 decrease in the value of a mill."
- 11 Section 10. Section 15-16-611, MCA, is amended to
- 12 read:
- 13 "15-16-611. Reduction of property tax for property
- 14 destroyed by natural disaster. (1) The department of revenue
- 15 shall, upon showing by a taxpayer that some or all of the
- 16 improvements on his real property or a trailer or mobile
- 17 home as-described-in-15-6-142 have been destroyed to such an
- 18 extent that such improvements have been rendered unsuitable
- 19 for their previous use by natural disaster, adjust the
- 20 taxable value on the property, accounting for the
- 21 destruction.

- 22 (2) The county treasurer shall adjust the tax due and
- 23 payable for the current year on the property under 15-16-102
- 24 as provided in subsection (3) of this section.
 - (3) To determine the amount of tax due for destroyed

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- (a) multiply the amount of tax levied and assessed on the original taxable value of the property for the year by the ratio that the number of days in the year that the property existed before destruction bears to 365; and
- (b) multiply the amount of tax levied and assessed on the adjusted taxable value of the property for the remainder of the year by the ratio that the number of days remaining in the year after the destruction of the property bears to 365.
- (4) This section does not apply to delinquent taxes owed on the destroyed property for a year prior to the year in which the property was destroyed.
 - (5) For the purposes of this section, "natural disaster" includes but is not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, or wind."
- 17 **Section 11.** Section 15-24-1102, MCA, is amended to 18 read:
 - #15-24-1102. Federal property held under contract of sale. When the property is held under a contract of sale or other agreement whereby upon payment the legal title is or may be acquired by the person, the real property shall must be assessed and taxed as defined in 15-6-131--through 15-6-149 Title 15, chapter 6, part 1, and 15-8-111 without deduction on account of the whole or any part of the

- purchase price or other sum due on the property remaining unpaid. The lien for the tax may not attach to, impair, or be enforced against any interest of the United States in the real property."
- 5 **Section 12.** Section 15-24-1103, MCA, is amended to read:
- 7 *15-24-1103. Federal property held under lease. When the property is held under lease, other interest, or estate therein less than the fee, except under contract of sale, 10 the property shall must be assessed and taxed as for the value, as defined-in-15-6-131-through-15-6-149 set forth in 11 12 Title 15, chapter 6, part 1, of such the leasehold, interest, or estate in the property and the lien for the tax 13 14 shall attach to and be enforced against only the leasehold, 15 interest, or estate in the property. When the United States 16 authorizes the taxation of the property for the full 17 assessed value of the fee thereof, the property shall must 18 be assessed for full assessed value as defined in 15-8-111."
 - Section 13. Section 67-3-204, MCA, is amended to read:

 "67-3-204. Fee in lieu of tax on registered aircraft

 -- decal. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3), aircraft required to be registered in Montana are subject to a fee.

 The registration fee is in lieu of property tax.
- 24 (2) The department shall issue a decal to the owner of 25 the aircraft required to be registered at the time of

- payment of the registration fee in lieu of tax, as provided in 67-3-201. No aircraft subject to a fee in lieu of tax may be operated in this state unless there is displayed on the aircraft a decal as visual proof that the fee in lieu of tax has been paid for the aircraft and that the aircraft is registered for the current year.
 - (3) Aircraft that meet the description of property described in 15-6-147 15-6-145 are exempt from the fee imposed by subsection (1). Aircraft subject to the fee in lieu of tax are exempt from all other taxation."

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- 11 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Section 14.** Repealer. Sections 15-6-139, 12 15-6-140, 15-6-142, 15-6-146 through 15-6-148, 15-6-150, and 13 15-6-155, MCA, are repealed.
- NEW SECTION. Section 15. Code commissioner is instructed to change the property class designation for sections in Title 15. chapter 6. part 1, as follows:
- 18 (a) property in 15-6-141 is redesignated as class
 19 nine;
- 20 (b) property in 15-6-143 is redesignated as class ten;
- 21 (c) property in 15-6-144 is redesignated as class 22 eleven;
- 23 (d) property in 15-6-145 is redesignated as class 24 twelve;
- 25 (e) property in 15-6-149 is redesignated as class

- 1 thirteen.
- 2 (2) The code commissioner is instructed to change all 3 property class references in the Montana Code Annotated to 4 reflect the redesignations as set forth in subsection (1).
- 5 NEW SECTION. Section 16. Effective date. [This act]
- 6 is effective on passage and approval.
- NEW SECTION. Section 17. Applicability. [This act]
 applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989.

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APPROVED BY COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

1	HOUSE BILL NO. 48
2	INTRODUCED BY COHEN, ECK
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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE
5	CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY FOR PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES;
6	AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-101, 15-6-133, 15-6-134, 15-6-136,
7	15-6-138, 15-6-145, 15-6-201, 15-8-205, 15-10-402,
8	15-16-611, 15-24-1102, 15-24-1103, AND 67-3-204, MCA;
9	REPEALING SECTIONS 15-6-139, 15-6-140, 15-6-142, 15-6-146
10	THROUGH 15-6-148, 15-6-150, AND 15-6-155, MCA; AND PROVIDING
11	AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
14	Section 1. Section 15-1-101, MCA, is amended to read:
15	"15-1-101. Definitions. (1) Except as otherwise
16	specifically provided, when terms mentioned in this section
17	are used in connection with taxation, they are defined in
18	the following manner:
19	(a) The term "agricultural" refersto means the
20	raising of livestock, poultry, bees, and other species of
21	domestic animals and wildlife in domestication or a captive
22	environment, and the raising of field crops, fruit, and
23	other animal and vegetable matter for food or fiber.
24	(b) The term "assessed value" means the value of
25	property as defined in 15-8-111.

1	(c) The term "average wholesale value" means the value
2	to a dealer prior to reconditioning and profit margin shown
3	in national appraisal guides and manuals or the valuation
4	schedules of the department of revenue

- 5 (d) (i) The term "commercial", when used to describe property, means any property used or owned by a business, a 6 trade, or a nonprofit corporation as defined in 35-2-102 or used for the production of income, except that property В 9 described in subsection (ii).
- 10 (ii) The following types of property 11 commercial:
- 12 (A) agricultural lands:
- 13 (B) timberlands;

- 14 (C) single-family residences and ancillary 15 improvements and improvements necessary to the function of a bona fide farm, ranch, or stock operation; 16
- (D) mobile homes used exclusively as a residence 17 except when held by a distributor or dealer of trailers or 18 mobile homes as his stock in trade; 19
- 20 (E) all property described in 15-6-135; and
- (F) all property described in 15-6-136;-and 21
- 22 (6)--all-property-described-in-15-6-146.
- (e) The term "comparable property" means property that 24 similar use, function, and utility; that is influenced by the same set of economic trends and physical, 25

governmental, and social factors; and that has the potential
of a similar highest and best use.

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- (f) The term "credit" means solvent debts, secured or unsecured, owing to a person.
- (g) The term "improvements" includes means all buildings, structures, fences, and improvements situated upon, erected upon, or affixed to land. When the department of revenue or its agent determines that the permanency of location of a mobile home or housetrailer has been established, the mobile home or housetrailer is presumed to be an improvement to real property. A mobile home or housetrailer may-be-determined-to-be-permanently-located only-when-it--is--attached-to--a--foundation--which--cannot feasibly--be--relocated-and-only-when-the-wheels-are-removed used as a residence is an improvement, whether or not it is affixed to the land.
 - (h) The term "leasehold improvements" means improvements to mobile homes and mobile homes located on land owned by another person. This property is assessed under the appropriate classification and the taxes are due and payable in two payments as provided in 15-24-202 15-16-102. Delinquent taxes on such leasehold improvements are a lien only on such leasehold improvements.
- 24 (i) The term "livestock" means cattle, sheep, swine,
 25 goats, horses, mules, and asses, llamas, and bison.

- 1 (j) The term "mobile home" means forms of housing
 2 shelter known as "trailers", "housetrailers", or "trailer
 3 coaches" exceeding 8 feet in width or 45 feet in length,
 4 designed to be moved from one place to another by an
 5 independent power connected to them, or any "trailer",
 6 "housetrailer", or "trailer coach" up to 8 feet in width or
 7 45 feet in length used as a principal residence.
- 8 (k) The term "personal property" includes means
 9 everything that is the subject of ownership but that is not
 10 included within the meaning of the terms "real estate" and
 11 "improvements".
- 12 (1) The term "poultry" includes means all chickens,
 13 turkeys, geese, ducks, and other birds raised in
 14 domestication to produce food or feathers.
- 15 (m) The term "property" includes-moneys means money, credits, bonds, stocks, franchises, and all other matters 16 and things, real, personal, and mixed, capable of private 17 18 ownership. This definition must may not be construed to 19 authorize the taxation of the stocks of any company or 20 corporation when the property of such the company or 21 corporation represented by the stocks is within the state and has been taxed. 22
 - (n) The term "real estate" includes means:
- 24 (i) the possession of, claim to, ownership of, or 25 right to the possession of land;

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(ii) all mines, minerals, and quarries in and under the land subject to the provisions of 15-23-501 and Title 15, chapter 23, part 8; all timber belonging to individuals or corporations growing or being on the lands of the United States; and all rights and privileges appertaining thereto.

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- (o) "Research and development firm" means an entity incorporated under the laws of this state or a foreign corporation authorized to do business in this state whose principal purpose is to engage in theoretical analysis, exploration, and experimentation and the extension of investigative findings and theories of a scientific and technical nature into practical application for experimental and demonstration purposes, including the experimental production and testing of models, devices, equipment, materials, and processes.
- 16 (p) The term "taxable value" means the percentage of
 17 market or assessed value as provided for in \(\frac{15}{5}-6-\frac{13}{5}-through
 18 \(\frac{15}{5}-6-\frac{149}{5}\) this title.
 - (q) The term "weighted mean assessment ratio" means the total of the assessed values divided by the total of the selling prices of all area sales in the stratum.
- 22 (2) The phrase "municipal corporation" or
 23 "municipality" or "taxing unit" shall-be-deemed--to--include
 24 means a county, city, incorporated town, township, school
 25 district, irrigation district, drainage district, or any

- person, persons, or organized body authorized by law to establish tax levies for the purpose of raising public revenue.
- 4 (3) The term "state board" or "board" when used without other qualification shall-mean means the state tax appeal board."
- Section 2. Section 15-6-133, MCA, is amended to read:

 "15-6-133. Class three property -- description -taxable percentage. (1) Class three property includes:
- 10 (a) agricultural land as defined in 15-7-202; and
- (b) nonproductive patented mining claims outside the 11 limits of an incorporated city or town held by an owner for 12 the ultimate purpose of developing the mineral interests on 13 14 the property. Class three does not include any property that is used for residential purposes, recreational purposes as 15 described in 70-16-301, or commercial purposes as defined in 16 15-1-101 or if the surface is being used for other than 17 18 mining purposes or has a separate and independent value for 19 other purposes.
- 20 (2) Improvements to class three property that would
 21 not disqualify the parcel from designation as class three
 22 property are taxes as otherwise provided in this title,
 23 including that portion of the land upon which the
 24 improvements are located and that is reasonably required for
 25 the use of the improvements.

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1	(2)(3) Class three property is taxed at the-taxable
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4	"P"-for-class-three-property-is-30%;
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6	shall-determine-the-taxable-percentage-rate"P"applicable
7	toclass-three-property-for-the-revaluation-cycle-beginning
8	January-17-19867-as-follows:
9	<pre>fa)The-director-of-the-departmentofrevenueshall</pre>
0	certifyto-the-governor-before-July-17-19867-the-percentage
1	by-which-the-appraised-value-of-all-propertyinthestate
12	classifiedunderclassthreeasof-January-17-19867-has
13	increased-due-to-the-revaluation-conductedunder15-7-111.
14	Thisfigureisthe"certifiedstatewidepercentage
15	increase".
16	(b)The-taxable-value-of-property-inclassthreeis
17	determinedasafunctionofthecertifiedstatewide
18	percentage-increaseinaccordancewiththetableshown
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20	(e)Thistablelimitsthestatewideincreasein
21	taxable-valuationresultingfromreappraisalto0%:In
22	calculatingthe-percentage-increase;-the-department-may-not
23	consider-agricultural-use-changes-during-calendar-year-1985.

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4	Percentage-Increase	Percentage-"P"
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7	20	25-00
8	30	23+08
9	40	21-43
10	50	20 −00
11	(5)Afterduly17-1986	

certified-statewide-percentage-increase-from--the--following

the-department-to-the-taxable-percentage-rate--uPu--until--a revaluation-has-been-made-as-provided-in-15-7-111;"

- Section 3. Section 15-6-134, MCA, is amended to read: *15-6-134. Class four property -- description -taxable percentage. (1) Class four property includes:
- (a) all land except that specifically included in 17 another class; 18
 - (b) all improvements except those specifically included in another class;
 - (c) the first \$80,000 or less of the market value of any improvement on real property and appurtenant land not exceeding 5 acres owned or under contract for deed and actually occupied for at least 10 months a year as the primary residential dwelling of any person whose total

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+d}--The--taxable--percentage--must--be--calculated--by

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income from all sources including otherwise tax-exempt 1 income of all types is not more than \$10,000 for a single person or \$12,000 for a married couple, as adjusted 3 according to subsection (2)(b)(ii); 4

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- (d) all golf courses, including land and improvements actually and necessarily used for that purpose, that consist of at least 9 holes and not less than 3,000 lineal yards.
 - (2) Class four property is taxed as follows:
- (a) Except as provided in 15-24-1402 or 15-24-1501, 9 property described in subsections (1)(a) and (1)(b) is taxed 10 11 at 3:86% 4.15% of its market value.
 - (b) (i) Property described in subsection (1)(c) is taxed at 3-86% 4.15% of its market value multiplied by a percentage figure based on income and determined from the following table:

16	Income	Income	Percentage
17	Single Person	Married Couple	Multiplier
18	\$ 0 - \$ 1,000	\$ 0 - \$ 1,200	0%
19	1,001 - 2,000	1,201 - 2,400	10%
20	2,001 - 3,000	2,401 - 3,600	20%
21	3,001 - 4,000	3,601 - 4,800	30%
22	4,001 - 5,000	4,801 - 6,000	40%
23	5,001 - 6,000	6,001 - 7,200	50%
24	6,001 - 7,000	7,201 - 8,400	60%
25	7,001 - 8,000	8,401 - 9,600	70%

1	8,001 -	9,000	9,601 -	10,800	80%
2	9,001 -	10,000	10,801 -	12,000	90%

- (ii) The income levels contained in the table in 3 subsection (2)(b)(i) must be adjusted for inflation annually 4 by the department of revenue. The adjustment to the income 5 levels is determined by:
 - (A) multiplying the appropriate dollar amount from the table in subsection (2)(b)(i) by the ratio of the PCE for the second quarter of the year prior to the year of application to the PCE for the second quarter of 1986; and
- 11 (B) rounding the product thus obtained to the nearest whole dollar amount.
- 1.3 (iii) "PCE" means the implicit price deflator for personal consumption expenditures as published quarterly in 14 the Survey of Current Business by the bureau of economic 15 analysis of the U.S. department of commerce. 16
- 17 (c) Property described in subsection (1)(d) is taxed at one-half the taxable percentage rate established in 18 subsection (2)(a). 19
- +3)--After--July--1;-1986;-no-adjustment-may-be-made-by 20 the-department-to-the-taxable-percentage-rate-for-class-four 22 property-until-a-revaluation-has-been-made--as--provided--in 23 15-7-111:
- 24 (4)(3) Within the meaning of comparable property as 25 defined in 15-1-101, property assessed as commercial

property is comparable only to other property assessed as commercial property, and property assessed as other than commercial property is comparable only to other property assessed as other than commercial property.

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- (4) For the purposes of this section, all mobile homes are considered to be improvements."
- Section 4. Section 15-6-136, MCA, is amended to read:
 *15-6-136. Class six property -- description -taxable percentage. (1) Class six property includes:
 - (a) livestock and other species of domestic animals and wildlife raised in domestication or a captive environment, except for cats, dogs, and other household pets not raised for profit;
 - (b) items of personal property intended for <u>rent or</u> lease in the ordinary course of business, provided each item of personal property satisfies all of the following:
- 17 (i) the full and true value of the personal property
 18 is less than \$5,000;
 - (ii) the personal property is owned by a business whose primary business income is from rental or lease of personal property to individuals wherein no one customer of the business accounts for more than 10% of the total rentals or leases during a calendar year; and
- 24 (iii) the lease of the personal property is generally
 25 on an hourly, daily, or weekly basis; and

- 1 (c) machinery and equipment used in a malting barley
 2 facility.
- 3 (2) "Malting barley facility" means a facility the principal purpose of which is to malt malting barley. The term does not apply to a facility the principal purpose of 6 which is to store, mix, blend, transport, transfer, or otherwise do anything with malting barley, except malt 7 malting barley. However, any machinery or equipment the principal purpose of which is to store, mix, blend, 9 10 transport, transfer, or otherwise handle malting barley or other machinery or equipment that is used in or is otherwise 11 an integral part of a facility that malts malting barley is 12 13 machinery or equipment of a malting barley facility for the 14 purposes of this section.
- 15 (3) Class six property is taxed at 4% of its market value."
- 20 (a) all agricultural implements and equipment;
- 21 (b) all mining machinery, fixtures, equipment, tools
 22 that are not exempt under 15-6-201(1)(r), and supplies
 23 except:
- 24 (±) those included in class five; and
- 25 (ii)-coal-and-ore-haulers;

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1	(c) all manufacturing machinery, fixtures, equipment,
2	tools that are not exempt under $15-6-201(1)(r)$, and supplies
3	except those included in class five;
4	(d) all trailers, including those prorated under
5	15-24-102, except those subject to taxation under
6	61-3-504(2);
7	(e) all goods and equipment intended for rent or
8	lease, except goods and equipment specifically included and
9	taxed in another class;
10	(f) buses and trucks having a rated capacity of more
11	than 1 ton, including those prorated under 15-24-102; and
12	(g) all other machinery except that specifically
13	included in another class-:
14	(h) truck toppers weighing more than 300 pounds;
15	(i)furniture;fixtures;andequipment;-except-that
16	specifically-included-in-another-class,-usedincommercial
17	establishments-as-defined-in-this-section;
18	<pre>fj;(I) x-ray and medical and dental equipment;</pre>
19	<pre>tk)(J) citizens' band radios and mobile telephones;</pre>
20	<pre>(±)(K) radio and television broadcasting and</pre>
21	transmitting equipment;
22	<pre>fm)(L) cable television systems;</pre>
23	<pre>fn)(M) coal and ore haulers;</pre>
24	<pre>fo)(N) theater projectors and sound equipment; and</pre>
25	<pre>fp)(0) all other property not included in any other</pre>

1	class in this part except that property subject to a fee in
2	lieu of property tax.
3	(3) "Commercial establishment" means any hotel; motel;
4	office; petroleum marketing station; or service, wholesale,
5	retail, or food-handling business.
6	(2) (4) Class eight property is taxed at 11 10.9 of
7	its market value."
8	Section 6. Section 15-6-145, MCA, is amended to read:
9	*15-6-145. Class fifteen property description
10	taxable percentage. (1) Class fifteen property includes all
11	railroad transportation property as described in the
12	Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 as
13	it read on January 1, 1986, and all airline transportation
14	property as described in the Tax Equity and Fiscal
15	Responsibility Act of 1982 as it read on January 1, 1986.
16	(2) For the taxable year beginning January 1, 1986,
17	and for each taxable year thereafter, class fifteen property
18	is taxed at the percentage rate "R", to be determined by the
19	department as provided in subsection (3), or 12%, whichever
20	is less.
21	(3) $R = A/B$ where:
22	(a) A is the total statewide taxable value of all
23	commercial property, except class fifteen property, as
24	commercial property is described in 15-1-101(1)(d),
25	including class 1 and class 2 property; and

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(b) B is the total statewide market value of all commercial property, except class fifteen property, as commercial property is described in 15-1-101(1)(d), including class 1 and class 2 property.

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- 5 (4) (a) For the taxable year beginning January 1,
 6 1986, and for every taxable year thereafter, the department
 7 shall conduct a sales assessment ratio study of all
 8 commercial and industrial real property and improvements.
 9 The study must be based on:
- 10 (i) assessments of such property as of January 1 of 11 the year for which the study is being conducted; and
 - (ii) a statistically valid sample of sales using data from realty transfer certificates filed during the same taxable year or from the immediately preceding taxable year, but only if a sufficient number of certificates is unavailable from the current taxable year to provide a statistically valid sample.
 - (b) The department shall determine the value-weighted mean sales assessment ratio "M" for all such property and reduce the taxable value of property described in subsection (4) only, by multiplying the total statewide taxable value of property described in subsection (4) by "M" prior to calculating "A" in subsection (3).
- 24 (c) The adjustment referred to in subsection (4)(b)
 25 will be made beginning January 1, 1986, and in each

- 1 subsequent tax year to equalize the railroad taxable values.
- 2 (5) For the purpose of complying with the Railroad
- 3 Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, as it read
- 4 on January 1, 1986, the rate "R" referred to in this section
- 5 is the equalized average tax rate generally applicable to
 - commercial and industrial property, except class fifteen
- 7 property, as commercial property is defined i
- 8 15-1-101(1)(d).
- 9 (6) For the purpose of complying with the Tax Equity
- and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982, as it read on January
- 11 1, 1986, the rate "R" referred to in this section is the
- 12 equalized average tax rate generally applicable to
- 13 commercial and industrial property, except class fifteen
- 14 property, as commercial property is defined in
- 15 15-1-101(1)(d)."

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- 16 Section 7. Section 15-6-201, MCA, is amended to read:
- 17 "15-6-201. Exempt categories. (1) The following
- 18 categories of property are exempt from taxation:
 - (a) the property of:
 - the United States, the state, counties, cities,
- 21 towns, school districts, except, if congress passes
- 22 legislation that allows the state to tax property owned by
- 23 an agency created by congress to transmit or distribute
- 24 electrical energy, the property constructed, owned, or
- 25 operated by a public agency created by the congress to

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transmit or distribute electric energy produced at privately owned generating facilities (not including rural electric cooperatives);

- 4 (ii) irrigation districts organized under the laws of5 Montana and not operating for profit;
 - (iii) municipal corporations; and
- 7 (iv) public libraries;

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- (b) buildings, with land they occupy and furnishings therein, owned by a church and used for actual religious worship or for residences of the clergy, together with adjacent land reasonably necessary for convenient use of the buildings;
- (c) property used exclusively for agricultural and horticultural societies, for educational purposes, and for nonprofit health care facilities, as defined in 50-5-101, licensed by the department of health and environmental sciences and organized under Title 35, chapter 2 or 3. A health care facility that is not licensed by the department of health and environmental sciences and organized under Title 35, chapter 2 or 3, is not exempt.
 - (d) property that meets the following conditions:
- 22 (i) is owned and held by any association or 23 corporation organized under Title 35, chapter 2, 3, 20, or 24 21;
- 25 (ii) is devoted exclusively to use in connection with a

- 1 cemetery or cemeteries for which a permanent care and
- 2 improvement fund has been established as provided for in
- 3 Title 35, chapter 20, part 3; and
- 4 (iii) is not maintained and operated for private or
- 5 corporate profit;
- 6 (e) institutions of purely public charity;
- 7 (f) evidence of debt secured by mortgages of record 8 upon real or personal property in the state of Montana;
- 9 (g) public art galleries and public observatories not10 used or held for private or corporate profit;
- 11 (h) all household goods and furniture, including but
 12 not limited to clocks, musical instruments, sewing machines,
 13 and wearing apparel of members of the family, used by the
- owner for personal and domestic purposes or for furnishing
- 15 or equipping the family residence:
- 16 (i) a truck canopy cover or topper weighing less than 17 300 pounds and having no accommodations attached. This
- 18 property is also exempt from taxation under 61-3-504(2) and
- 19 61-3-537.
- 20 (j) a bicycle, as defined in 61-1-123, used by the
- 21 owner for personal transportation purposes;
- 22 (k) motor homes, travel trailers, and campers;
- 23 (1) all watercraft;
- 24 (m) land, fixtures, buildings, and improvements owned
- 25 by a cooperative association or nonprofit corporation

organized to furnish potable water to its members or customers for uses other than the irrigation of agricultural land:

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- (n) the right of entry that is a property right reserved in land or received by mesne conveyance (exclusive of leasehold interests), devise, or succession to enter land whose surface title is held by another to explore, prospect, or dig for oil, gas, coal, or minerals;
- (o) property owned and used by a corporation or association organized and operated exclusively for the care of the developmentally disabled, mentally ill, or vocationally handicapped as defined in 18-5-101, which is not operated for gain or profit;
- (p) all farm buildings with a market value of less than \$500 and all agricultural implements and machinery with a market value of less than \$100;
 - (q) property owned by a nonprofit corporation organized to provide facilities primarily for training and practice for or competition in international sports and athletic events and not held or used for private or corporate gain or profit. For purposes of this subsection (q), "nonprofit corporation" means an organization exempt from taxation under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and incorporated and admitted under the Montana Nonprofit Corporation Act.

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- 1 (r) provided the tools are owned by the taxpayer, the 2 first \$15,000 or less of market value of tools that are 3 customarily hand-held and that are used to:
- 4 (i) construct, repair, and maintain improvements to
 5 real property; or
- (ii) repair and maintain machinery, equipment, appliances, or other personal property;
- 8 (s) harness, saddlery, and other tack equipment; and
- 9 (t) a title plant owned by a title insurer or a title 10 agent, as those terms are defined in 33-25-105; and
- 11 (u) all aircraft that are not considered airline
 12 transportation property as described in the Tax Equity and
 13 Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 and thereby included in
 14 15-6-147 15-6-145.
 - (2) (a) The term "institutions of purely public charity" includes organizations owning and operating facilities for the care of the retired or aged or chronically ill, which are not operated for gain or profit.
 - (b) The terms "public art galleries" and "public observatories" include only those art galleries and observatories, whether of public or private ownership, that are open to the public without charge at all reasonable hours and are used for the purpose of education only.
- 24 (3) The following portions of the appraised value of a 25 capital investment made after January 1, 1979, in a

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recognized nonfossil form of energy generation, as defined in 15-32-102, are exempt from taxation for a period of 10 years following installation of the property:

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- 4 (a) \$20,000 in the case of a single-family residential dwelling;
- (b) \$100,000 in the case of a multifamily residential
 dwelling or a nonresidential structure."
 - Section 8. Section 15-8-205, MCA, is amended to read:

 "15-8-205. Initial assessment of class-twelve-property

 ---when mobile homes. The county assessor shall assess all

 class--twelve--property mobile homes immediately upon their

 arrival in the county if the taxes have not been previously

 paid for that year in another county in Montana."
 - Section 9. Section 15-10-402, MCA, is amended to read:

 "15-10-402. Property tax limited to 1986 levels. (1)

 Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3), the amount of taxes levied on property described in 15-6-133, 15-6-134, 15-6-136, 15-6-1397-15-6-1427 and 15-6-144 may not, for any taxing jurisdiction, exceed the amount levied for taxable year 1986.
- 21 (2) The limitation contained in subsection (1) does 22 not apply to levies for rural improvement districts, Title 23 7, chapter 12, part 21; special improvement districts, Title 24 7, chapter 12, part 41; or bonded indebtedness.
- 25 (3) New construction or improvements to or deletions

1 from property described in subsection (1) are subject to 2 taxation at 1986 levels.

(4) As used in this section, the "amount of taxes

- levied" and the "amount levied" mean the actual dollar amount of taxes imposed on an individual piece of property, notwithstanding an increase or decrease in value due to inflation, reappraisal, adjustments in the percentage multiplier used to convert appraised value to taxable value, changes in the number of mills levied, or increase or decrease in the value of a mill."
- 11 **Section 10.** Section 15-16-611, MCA, is amended to 12 read:
 - "15-16-611. Reduction of property tax for property destroyed by natural disaster. (1) The department of revenue shall, upon showing by a taxpayer that some or all of the improvements on his real property or a trailer or mobile home as-described-in-15-6-142 have been destroyed to such an extent that such improvements have been rendered unsuitable for their previous use by natural disaster, adjust the taxable value on the property, accounting for the destruction.
- 22 (2) The county treasurer shall adjust the tax due and 23 payable for the current year on the property under 15-16-102 24 as provided in subsection (3) of this section.
- 25 (3) To determine the amount of tax due for destroyed

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property, the county treasurer shall:

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- 2 (a) multiply the amount of tax levied and assessed on 3 the original taxable value of the property for the year by 4 the ratio that the number of days in the year that the 5 property existed before destruction bears to 365; and
- 6 (b) multiply the amount of tax levied and assessed on
 7 the adjusted taxable value of the property for the remainder
 8 of the year by the ratio that the number of days remaining
 9 in the year after the destruction of the property bears to
 10 365.
- 11 (4) This section does not apply to delinquent taxes 12 owed on the destroyed property for a year prior to the year 13 in which the property was destroyed.
- 14 (5) For the purposes of this section, "natural 15 disaster" includes but is not limited to fire, flood, 16 earthquake, or wind."
- 17 **Section 11.** Section 15-24-1102, MCA, is amended to 18 read:
- sale. When the property is held under a contract of sale or other agreement whereby upon payment the legal title is or may be acquired by the person, the real property shall must be assessed and taxed as defined in 15-6-131--through 15-6-149 Title 15, chapter 6, part 1, and 15-8-111 without deduction on account of the whole or any part of the

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- purchase price or other sum due on the property remaining unpaid. The lien for the tax may not attach to, impair, or be enforced against any interest of the United States in the
- 5 Section 12. Section 15-24-1103, MCA, is amended to 6 read:
- *15-24-1103. Federal property held under lease. When the property is held under lease, other interest, or estate therein less than the fee, except under contract of sale, 10 the property shall must be assessed and taxed as for the 11 value, as defined-in-15-6-131-through-15-6-149 set forth in Title 15, chapter 6, part 1, of such the leasehold, 12 interest, or estate in the property and the lien for the tax 13 14 shall attach to and be enforced against only the leasehold, 15 interest, or estate in the property. When the United States 16 authorizes the taxation of the property for the full 17 assessed value of the fee thereof, the property shall must 18 be assessed for full assessed value as defined in 15-8-111."
- Section 13. Section 67-3-204, MCA, is amended to read:

 "67-3-204. Fee in lieu of tax on registered aircraft

 -- decal. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3), aircraft

 required to be registered in Montana are subject to a fee.

 The registration fee is in lieu of property tax.
- 24 (2) The department shall issue a decal to the owner of 25 the aircraft required to be registered at the time of

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payment of the registration fee in lieu of tax, as provided 1 in 67-3-201. No aircraft subject to a fee in lieu of tax may 2 be operated in this state unless there is displayed on the 3 aircraft a decal as visual proof that the fee in lieu of tax 4 has been paid for the aircraft and that the aircraft is 5 registered for the current year.

- (3) Aircraft that meet the description of property 7 8 described in 15-6-147 15-6-145 are exempt from the fee 9 imposed by subsection (1). Aircraft subject to the fee in lieu of tax are exempt from all other taxation." 10
- 11 NEW SECTION. Section 14. Repealer, Sections 15-6-139, 12 15-6-140, 15-6-142, 15-6-146 through 15-6-148, 15-6-150, and 15-6-155, MCA, are repealed. 13
- NEW SECTION. Section 15. Code 14 commissioner instruction. (1) The code commissioner is instructed to 15 change the property class designation for sections in Title 16 17 15, chapter 6, part 1, as follows:
- 18 (a) property in 15-6-141 is redesignated as class 19 nine;
- (b) property in 15-6-143 is redesignated as class ten; 20
- 21 (c) property in 15-6-144 is redesignated as class 22 eleven:
- 23 (d) property in 15-6-145 is redesignated as class 24 twelve;
- (e) property in 15-6-149 is redesignated as class 25

- (2) The code commissioner is instructed to change all property class references in the Montana Code Annotated to 3 reflect the redesignations as set forth in subsection (1). 5 NEW SECTION. Section 16. Effective date. [This act]
- NEW SECTION. Section 17. Applicability. [This act] applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989.

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T	HOUSE BILL NO. 48
2	INTRODUCED BY COHEN, ECK
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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING THE
5	CLASSIFICATION OF PROPERTY FOR PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES; TO
6	CLASSIFY AS CLASS FIVE PROPERTY THE EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY
7	USED TO PROCESS CANOLA SEED OIL; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-1-101,
8	15-6-1337 15-6-1347 <u>THROUGH</u> 15-6-136, 15-6-138, 15-6-145,
9	15-6-201, 15-8-205, 15-10-402, 15-16-611, 15-24-1102,
10	15-24-1103, AND 67-3-204, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 15-6-139,
11	15-6-140, 15-6-142, 15-6-146 THROUGH 15-6-148, 15-6-150, AND
12	15-6-155, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND
13	AN APPLICABILITY DATE."
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15	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA;

the following manner:

(a) The term "agricultural" refers--to means the raising of livestock, poultry, bees, and other species of domestic animals and wildlife in domestication or a captive environment, and the raising of field crops, fruit, and

other animal and vegetable matter for food or fiber.

Section 1. Section 15-1-101, MCA, is amended to read:

*15-1-101. Definitions. (1) Except as otherwise

specifically provided, when terms mentioned in this section

are used in connection with taxation, they are defined in

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- 1 (b) The term "assessed value" means the value of 2 property as defined in 15-8-111.
- 3 (c) The term "average wholesale value" means the value
 4 to a dealer prior to reconditioning and profit margin shown
 5 in national appraisal guides and manuals or the valuation
 6 schedules of the department of revenue.
- 7 (d) (i) The term "commercial", when used to describe
 8 property, means any property used or owned by a business, a
 9 trade, or a nonprofit corporation as defined in 35-2-102 or
 10 used for the production of income, except that property
 11 described in subsection (ii).
- 12 (ii) The following types of property are not 13 commercial:
- 14 (A) agricultural lands;
- 15 (B) timberlands:
- 16 (C) single-family residences and ancillary
 17 improvements and improvements necessary to the function of a
 18 bona fide farm, ranch, or stock operation;
- 19 (D) mobile homes used exclusively as a residence 20 except when held by a distributor or dealer of trailers or 21 mobile homes as his stock in trade;
- 22 (E) all property described in 15-6-135; and
- 23 (F) all property described in 15-6-136; and
- 24 (G)--all-property-described-in-15-6-146.
- 25 (e) The term "comparable property" means property that

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has similar use, function, and utility; that is influenced by the same set of economic trends and physical. governmental, and social factors; and that has the potential of a similar highest and best use.

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- (f) The term "credit" means solvent debts, secured or 5 6 unsecured, owing to a person.
 - (q) The term "improvements" includes means all buildings, structures, fences, and improvements situated upon, erected upon, or affixed to land. When the department of revenue or its agent determines that the permanency of location of a mobile home or housetrailer has been established, the mobile home or housetrailer is presumed to be an improvement to real property. A mobile home or housetrailer may--be--determined--to-be-permanently-located only-when-it--is--attached--to--a--foundation--which--cannot feasibly--be--relocated-and-only-when-the-wheels-are-removed used as a residence is an improvement, whether or not it is affixed to the land.
- (h) The term "leasehold improvements" means improvements to mobile homes and mobile homes located on land owned by another person. This property is assessed under the appropriate classification and the taxes are due 23 and payable in two payments as provided in 15-24-202 15-16-102. Delinquent taxes on such leasehold improvements are a lien only on such leasehold improvements.

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- (i) The term "livestock" means cattle, sheep, swine, 1 goats, horses, mules, and asses, llamas, and bison.
 - (j) The term "mobile home" means forms of housing shelter known as "trailers", "housetrailers", or "trailer coaches" exceeding 8 feet in width or 45 feet in length, designed to be moved from one place to another by an independent power connected to them, or any "trailer", "housetrailer", or "trailer coach" up to 8 feet in width or 45 feet in length used as a principal residence.
 - (k) The term "personal property" includes means everything that is the subject of ownership but that is not included within the meaning of the terms "real estate" and "improvements".
 - (1) The term "poultry" includes means all chickens, turkeys, geese, ducks, and other birds raised in domestication to produce food or feathers.
- 17 (m) The term "property" includes-moneys means money, credits, bonds, stocks, franchises, and all other matters 18 and things, real, personal, and mixed, capable of private 19 ownership. This definition must may not be construed to 20 21 authorize the taxation of the stocks of any company or corporation when the property of such the company or 22 23 corporation represented by the stocks is within the state 24 and has been taxed.
- 25 (n) The term "real estate" includes means:

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(i) the possession of, claim to, ownership of, or right to the possession of land;

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- (ii) all mines, minerals, and quarries in and under the land subject to the provisions of 15-23-501 and Title 15, chapter 23, part 8; all timber belonging to individuals or corporations growing or being on the lands of the United States; and all rights and privileges appertaining thereto.
- (o) "Research and development firm" means an entity incorporated under the laws of this state or a foreign corporation authorized to do business in this state whose principal purpose is to engage in theoretical analysis, exploration, and experimentation and the extension of investigative findings and theories of a scientific and technical nature into practical application for experimental and demonstration purposes, including the experimental production and testing of models, devices, equipment, materials, and processes.
- (p) The term "taxable value" means the percentage of market or assessed value as provided for in \frac{15-6-131-through}{15-6-149} this title.
- 21 (q) The term "weighted mean assessment ratio" means 22 the total of the assessed values divided by the total of the 23 selling prices of all area sales in the stratum.
- 24 (2) The phrase "municipal corporation" or
 25 "municipality" or "taxing unit" shall-be-deemed--to--include

- means a county, city, incorporated town, township, school district, irrigation district, drainage district, or any person, persons, or organized body authorized by law to establish tax levies for the purpose of raising public revenue.
 - (3) The term "state board" or "board" when used without other qualification shall-mean means the state tax appeal board."
 - Section 2. Section 15-6-133, MCA, is amended to read:
 "15-6-133. Class three property -- description -taxable percentage. (1) Class three property includes:
- 12 (a) agricultural land as defined in 15-7-202; and
- (b) nonproductive patented mining claims outside the 13 limits of an incorporated city or town held by an owner for 14 15 the ultimate purpose of developing the mineral interests on the property. Class three does not include any property that 16 is used for residential purposes, recreational purposes as 17 described in 70-16-301, or commercial purposes as defined in 18 19 15-1-101 or if the surface is being used for other than 20 mining purposes or has a separate and independent value for
- 22 (2) Improvements to class three property that would
 23 not disqualify the parcel from designation as class three
 24 property are taxes as otherwise provided in this title,
 25 including that portion of the land upon which the

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l	improvements are located and that is reasonably required for
2	the use of the improvements.
3	(2)(3) Class three property is taxed at the-taxable
4	percentage-rate- $^{\mu}P^{\mu}$ 30% of its productive capacity.
5	(3)Uneil-July-1;-1986;-tnetaxablepercentagerate
6	#P#-for-class-three-property-is-36%;
7	(4)PriortoJuly-1,-1985;-the-department-of-revenue
8	shall-determine-the-taxable-percentage-rate#P#applicable
9	toclass-three-property-for-the-revaluation-cycle-beginning
0	January-1,-1986,-as-follows:
1	(a)The-director-of-the-departmentofrevenueshall
2	certifyto-the-governor-before-fully-ly-19867-the-percentage
3	by-which-the-appraised-value-of-all-propertyinthe-astate
4	classifiedunderclassthreeasof-January-1;-1986;-has
5	increased-due-to-the-revaluation-conductedunder15-7-111:
6	Thisfigureisthe#certifiedstatewidepercentage
7	éncrease";
8	tb)The-taxable-value-of-property-inclassthreeis
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1	(d)Thetaxablepercentagemustbecalculatedby
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4	table:
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14	the-department-to-the-taxable-percentage-rateupuuntila
15	revaluation-has-been-made-as-provided-in-15-7-111:"
16	Section 3. Section 15-6-134, MCA, is amended to read:
1.7	*15-6-134. Class four property description
18	taxable percentage. (1) Class four property includes:
19	(a) all land except that specifically included in
20	another class;
21	(b) all improvements except those specifically
22	included in another class;
23	(c) the first \$80,000 or less of the market value of
24	any improvement on real property and appurtenant land not
25	exceeding 5 acres owned or under contract for deed and

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whole dollar amount.

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- actually occupied for at least 10 months a year as the primary residential dwelling of any person whose total income from all sources including otherwise tax-exempt income of all types is not more than \$10,000 for a single person or \$12,000 for a married couple, as adjusted according to subsection (2)(b)(ii);
- 7 (d) all golf courses, including land and improvements 8 actually and necessarily used for that purpose, that consist 9 of at least 9 holes and not less than 3,000 lineal yards.
 - (2) Class four property is taxed as follows:

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- (a) Except as provided in 15-24-1402 or 15-24-1501, property described in subsections (1)(a) and (1)(b) is taxed at 3.86% 4.15% 3.86% of its market value.
- (b) (i) Property described in subsection (1)(c) is taxed at 3786% 4715% 3.86% of its market value multiplied by a percentage figure based on income and determined from the following table:

18	Income	Income	Percentage
19	Single Person	Married Couple	Multiplier
20	\$ 0 - \$ 1,000	\$ 0 - \$ 1,200	0%
21	1,001 - 2,000	1,201 - 2,400	10%
22	2,001 - 3,000	2,401 - 3,600	20%
23	3,001 - 4,000	3,601 - 4,800	30 €
24	4,001 - 5,000	4,801 - 6,000	40%
25	5,001 - 6,000	6,001 - 7,200	50%

1	6,001 -	7,000	7,201 -	8,400	60%
2	7,001 -	8,000	8,401 -	9,600	70%
3	8,001 -	9,000	9,601 -	10,800	80%
4	9,001 -	10,000	10,801 -	12,000	90%

- 5 (ii) The income levels contained in the table in subsection (2)(b)(i) must be adjusted for inflation annually 7 by the department of revenue. The adjustment to the income levels is determined by:
- 9 (A) multiplying the appropriate dollar amount from the 10 table in subsection (2)(b)(i) by the ratio of the PCE for 11 the second quarter of the year prior to the year of 12 application to the PCE for the second quarter of 1986; and 13 (B) rounding the product thus obtained to the nearest
- 15 (iii) "PCE" means the implicit price deflator for 16 personal consumption expenditures as published quarterly in 17 the Survey of Current Business by the bureau of economic
- 19 (c) Property described in subsection (1)(d) is taxed 20 at one-half the taxable percentage rate established in 21 subsection (2)(a).

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22 (3)--After-duiy-17-19867-no-adjustment-may-be--made--by
23 the-department-to-the-taxable-percentage-rate-for-class-four
24 property--until--a--revaluation-has-been-made-as-provided-in
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t47(3) Within the meaning of comparable property as defined in 15-1-101, property assessed as commercial property is comparable only to other property assessed as commercial property, and property assessed as other than commercial property is comparable only to other property assessed as other than commercial property.

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7 (4) For the purposes of this section, all mobile homes
8 are considered to be improvements."

SECTION 4. SECTION 15-6-135, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ:

- "15-6-135. Class five property -- description -- taxable percentage. (1) Class five property includes:
- (a) all property used and owned by cooperative rural electrical and cooperative rural telephone associations organized under the laws of Montana, except property owned by cooperative organizations described in subsection (1)(b) of 15-6-137;
- (b) air and water pollution control equipment as defined in this section;
- (c) new industrial property as defined in this section;
- 21 (d) any personal or real property used primarily in 22 the production of gasohol during construction and for the 23 first 3 years of its operation;
- (e) all land and improvements and all personalproperty owned by a research and development firm, provided

- that the property is actively devoted to research and
 development;
- 3 (f) machinery and equipment used in electrolytic
 4 reduction facilities;
 - (g) machinery and equipment used in canola seed oil processing facilities provided that the operators of such facilities employ a minimum of 15 full-time employees and locate in the state of Montana after [the effective date of this act].
 - (2) (a) "Air and water pollution equipment" means facilities, machinery, or equipment used to reduce or control water or atmospheric pollution or contamination by removing, reducing, altering, disposing, or storing pollutants, contaminants, wastes, or heat. The department of health and environmental sciences shall determine if such utilization is being made.
- 17 (b) The department of health and environmental sciences' determination as to air and water pollution 18 19 equipment may be appealed to the board of health and environmental sciences and may not be appealed to either a 20 21 county tax appeal board or the state tax appeal board. 22 However, the appraised value of the equipment as determined 23 by the department of revenue may be appealed to the county 24 tax appeal board and the state tax appeal board.
- 25 (3) "New industrial property" means any new industrial

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plant, including land, buildings, machinery, and fixtures, used by new industries during the first 3 years of their operation. The property may not have been assessed within the state of Montana prior to July 1, 1961.

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- (4) (a) "New industry" means any person, corporation, firm, partnership, association, or other group that establishes a new plant in Montana for the operation of a new industrial endeavor, as distinguished from a mere expansion, reorganization, or merger of an existing industry.
- 11 (b) New industry includes only those industries that:
- 12 (i) manufacture, mill, mine, produce, process, or 13 fabricate materials:
 - (ii) do similar work, employing capital and labor, in which materials unserviceable in their natural state are extracted, processed, or made fit for use or are substantially altered or treated so as to create commercial products or materials; or
 - (iii) engage in the mechanical or chemical transformation of materials or substances into new products in the manner defined as manufacturing in the 1972 Standard Industrial Classification Manual prepared by the United States office of management and budget.
- 24 (5) New industrial property does not include:
- 25 (a) property used by retail or wholesale merchants,

- commercial services of any type, agriculture, trades, or professions;
- 3 (b) a plant that will create adverse impact on 4 existing state, county, or municipal services; or
- 5 (c) property used or employed in any industrial plant
 6 that has been in operation in this state for 3 years or
 7 longer; or
- 8 (d) property otherwise classified as class five9 property.
- 10 (6) "Canola seed oil processing facility" means a
 11 facility that:
- 12 (a) extracts oil from canola seeds, refines the crude

 13 oil to produce edible oil, formulates and packages the

 14 edible oil into food products, or engages in any one or more
- 15 of those processes; and
- 16 <u>(b) employs at least 15 employees in a full-time</u>
 17 capacity.
- 18 (6)(7) Class five property is taxed at 3% of its
 19 market value."
- Section 5. Section 15-6-136, MCA, is amended to read:
- 21 "15-6-136. Class six property -- description -- 22 taxable percentage. (1) Class six property includes:
- 23 (a) livestock and other species of domestic animals 24 and wildlife raised in domestication or a captive
- 25 environment, except for cats, dogs, and other household pets

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- (b) items of personal property intended for rent or lease in the ordinary course of business, provided each item of personal property satisfies all of the following:
 - (i) the full and true value of the personal property is less than \$5,000:
 - (ii) the personal property is owned by a business whose primary business income is from rental or lease of personal property to individuals wherein no one customer of the business accounts for more than 10% of the total rentals or leases during a calendar year; and
- (iii) the lease of the personal property is generally 12 13 on an hourly, daily, or weekly basis; and
 - (c) machinery and equipment used in a malting barley facility.
 - (2) "Malting barley facility" means a facility the principal purpose of which is to malt malting barley. The term does not apply to a facility the principal purpose of which is to store, mix, blend, transport, transfer, or otherwise do anything with malting barley, except malt malting barley. However, any machinery or equipment the principal purpose of which is to store, mix, blend, transport, transfer, or otherwise handle malting barley or other machinery or equipment that is used in or is otherwise an integral part of a facility that malts malting barley is

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- machinery or equipment of a malting barley facility for the purposes of this section.
- (3) Class six property is taxed at 4% of its market 3 value."
 - Section 6. Section 15-6-138, MCA, is amended to read:
- "15-6-138. Class eight property -- description -taxable percentage. (1) Class eight property includes:
- (a) all agricultural implements and equipment;
- 9 (b) all mining machinery, fixtures, equipment, tools
- that are not exempt under 15-6-201(1)(r), and supplies 1.0
- 11 except:
- 12 +++ those included in class five; and
- 13 (ii)-coal-and-ore-haulers;
- (c) all manufacturing machinery, fixtures, equipment, 14
- 15 tools that are not exempt under 15-6-201(1)(r), and supplies
- except those included in class five; 16
- (d) all trailers, including those prorated 17 under
- 18 15-24-102, except those subject to taxation under
- 19 61-3-504(2);
- 20 (e) all goods and equipment intended for rent or
- lease, except goods and equipment specifically included and 21
- 22 taxed in another class:
- 23 (f) buses and trucks having a rated capacity of more
- than 1 ton, including those prorated under 15-24-102; and 24
- 25 (q) all other machinery except that specifically

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1 .	included in another class+;
2	(h) truck toppers weighing more than 300 pounds;
3	(i)furniture;-fixtures;-andequipment;exceptthat
4	specificallyincludedin-another-class,-used-in-commercial
5	establishments-as-defined-in-this-section;
6	(I) FURNITURE, FIXTURES, AND EQUIPMENT, EXCEPT THAT
7	SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED IN ANOTHER CLASS, USED IN COMMERCIAL
8	ESTABLISHMENTS AS DEFINED IN THIS SECTION;
9	<pre>fi)(I) x-ray and medical and dental equipment;</pre>
10	<pre>tk)(K) citizens' band radios and mobile telephones;</pre>
11	${t^{\frac{1}{2}}}(K)(L)$ radio and television broadcasting and
12	transmitting equipment;
13	<pre>(m)(b)(M) cable television systems;</pre>
14	<pre>fn)fM)(N) coal and ore haulers;</pre>
15	<pre>to)(N)(O) theater projectors and sound equipment; and</pre>
16	$\{p\}\{\theta\}\{P\}$ all other property not included in any other
17	class in this part except that property subject to a fee in
18	lieu of property tax.
19	(3) "Commercial establishment" means any hotel; motel;
20	office; petroleum marketing station; or service, wholesale,
21	retail, or food-handling business.
22	(2)(4) Class eight property is taxed at 11 % 10.9 % 11 %
23	9.6% of its market value."
24	Section 7. Section 15-6-145, MCA, is amended to read:
25	*15-6-145. Class fifteen property description

- taxable percentage. (1) Class fifteen property includes all 1 railroad transportation property as described in the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 as 3 it read on January 1, 1986, and all airline transportation property as described in the Tax Equity and Fiscal 5 Responsibility Act of 1982 as it read on January 1, 1986. (2) For the taxable year beginning January 1, 1986, 7 8 and for each taxable year thereafter, class fifteen property is taxed at the percentage rate "R", to be determined by the 9 department as provided in subsection (3), or 12%, whichever 10 is less. 11 12 (3) R = A/B where:
- 13 (a) A is the total statewide taxable value of all
 14 commercial property, except class fifteen property, as
 15 commercial property is described in 15-1-101(1)(d),
 16 including class 1 and class 2 property; and
- 17 (b) B is the total statewide market value of all commercial property, except class fifteen property, as commercial property is described in 15-1-101(1)(d), including class 1 and class 2 property.
- 21 (4) (a) For the taxable year beginning January 1,
 22 1986, and for every taxable year thereafter, the department
 23 shall conduct a sales assessment ratio study of all
 24 commercial and industrial real property and improvements.

25 The study must be based on:

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(i) assessments of such property as of January 1 of the year for which the study is being conducted; and

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- (ii) a statistically valid sample of sales using data from realty transfer certificates filed during the same taxable year or from the immediately preceding taxable year, but only if a sufficient number of certificates is unavailable from the current taxable year to provide a statistically valid sample.
- (b) The department shall determine the value-weighted mean sales assessment ratio "M" for all such property and reduce the taxable value of property described in subsection (4) only, by multiplying the total statewide taxable value of property described in subsection (4) by "M" prior to calculating "A" in subsection (3).
- (c) The adjustment referred to in subsection (4)(b) will be made beginning January 1, 1986, and in each subsequent tax year to equalize the railroad taxable values.
- (5) For the purpose of complying with the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976, as it read on January 1, 1986, the rate "R" referred to in this section is the equalized average tax rate generally applicable to commercial and industrial property, except class fifteen property, as commercial property is defined in 15-1-101(1)(d).
- 25 (6) For the purpose of complying with the Tax Equity

- and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982, as it read on January
- 2 1, 1986, the rate "R" referred to in this section is the
- 3 equalized average tax rate generally applicable to
- 4 commercial and industrial property, except class fifteen
- 5 property, as commercial property is defined in
- 6 15-1-101(1)(d)."

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- 7 Section 8. Section 15-6-201, MCA, is amended to read:
- 8 *15-6-201. Exempt categories. (1) The following
 9 categories of property are exempt from taxation:
- 10 (a) the property of:
 - (i) the United States, the state, counties, cities, towns, school districts, except, if congress passes legislation that allows the state to tax property owned by an agency created by congress to transmit or distribute electrical energy, the property constructed, owned, or operated by a public agency created by the congress to transmit or distribute electric energy produced at privately owned generating facilities (not including rural electric cooperatives);
- 20 (ii) irrigation districts organized under the laws of 21 Montana and not operating for profit;
 - (iii) municipal corporations; and
- 23 (iv) public libraries;
- 24 (b) buildings, with land they occupy and furnishings 25 therein, owned by a church and used for actual religious

worship or for residences of the clergy, together with adjacent land reasonably necessary for convenient use of the buildings;

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- (c) property used exclusively for agricultural and horticultural societies, for educational purposes, and for nonprofit health care facilities, as defined in 50-5-101, licensed by the department of health and environmental sciences and organized under Title 35, chapter 2 or 3. A health care facility that is not licensed by the department of health and environmental sciences and organized under Title 35, chapter 2 or 3, is not exempt.
- (d) property that meets the following conditions:
- 13 (i) is owned and held by any association or 14 corporation organized under Title 35, chapter 2, 3, 20, or 15 21:
 - (ii) is devoted exclusively to use in connection with a cemetery or cemeteries for which a permanent care and improvement fund has been established as provided for in Title 35, chapter 20, part 3; and
- 20 (iii) is not maintained and operated for private or
 21 corporate profit;
 - (e) institutions of purely public charity;
- 23 (f) evidence of debt secured by mortgages of record 24 upon real or personal property in the state of Montana;
- 25 (g) public art galleries and public observatories not

1 used or held for private or corporate profit;

or equipping the family residence;

- 2 (h) all household goods and furniture, including but
 3 not limited to clocks, musical instruments, sewing machines,
 4 and wearing apparel of members of the family, used by the
 5 owner for personal and domestic purposes or for furnishing
- 7 (i) a truck canopy cover or topper weighing less than 8 300 pounds and having no accommodations attached. This 9 property is also exempt from taxation under 61-3-504(2) and 10 61-3-537.
- 11 (j) a bicycle, as defined in 61-1-123, used by the
 12 owner for personal transportation purposes;
- 13 (k) motor homes, travel trailers, and campers;
 - all watercraft;

- 15 (m) land, fixtures, buildings, and improvements owned
 16 by a cooperative association or nonprofit corporation
 17 organized to furnish potable water to its members or
 18 customers for uses other than the irrigation of agricultural
 19 land;
- 20 (n) the right of entry that is a property right
 21 reserved in land or received by mesne conveyance (exclusive
 22 of leasehold interests), devise, or succession to enter land
 23 whose surface title is held by another to explore, prospect,
 24 or dig for oil, gas, coal, or minerals;
- 25 (o) property owned and used by a corporation or

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association organized and operated exclusively for the care of the developmentally disabled, mentally ill, or vocationally handicapped as defined in 18-5-101, which is not operated for gain or profit;

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- (p) all farm buildings with a market value of less than \$500 and all agricultural implements and machinery with a market value of less than \$100;
- (q) property owned by a nonprofit corporation organized to provide facilities primarily for training and practice for or competition in international sports and athletic events and not held or used for private or corporate gain or profit. For purposes of this subsection (q), "nonprofit corporation" means an organization exempt from taxation under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and incorporated and admitted under the Montana Nonprofit Corporation Act.
- 17 (r) provided the tools are owned by the taxpayer, the 18 first \$15,000 or less of market value of tools that are 19 customarily hand-held and that are used to:
- 20 (i) construct, repair, and maintain improvements to 21 real property; or
 - (ii) repair and maintain machinery, equipment, appliances, or other personal property;
- 24 (s) harness, saddlery, and other tack equipment; and
- 25 (t) a title plant owned by a title insurer or a title

- agent, as those terms are defined in 33-25-105; and
- 2 (u) all aircraft that are not considered airline
 3 transportation property as described in the Tax Equity and
 4 Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 and thereby included in
 5 ±5-6-±47 15-6-145.
 - (2) (a) The term "institutions of purely public charity" includes organizations owning and operating facilities for the care of the retired or aged or chronically ill, which are not operated for gain or profit.
 - (b) The terms "public art galleries" and "public observatories" include only those art galleries and observatories, whether of public or private ownership, that are open to the public without charge at all reasonable hours and are used for the purpose of education only.
 - (3) The following portions of the appraised value of a capital investment made after January 1, 1979, in a recognized nonfossil form of energy generation, as defined in 15-32-102, are exempt from taxation for a period of 10 years following installation of the property:
- 20 (a) \$20,000 in the case of a single-family residential dwelling;
- (b) \$100,000 in the case of a multifamily residentialdwelling or a nonresidential structure."
- Section 9. Section 15-8-205, MCA, is amended to read:

 "15-8-205. Initial assessment of class-twelve-property

- ----when mobile homes. The county assessor shall assess all class-twelve-property mobile homes immediately upon their 2 3 arrival in the county if the taxes have not been previously paid for that year in another county in Montana." 4
- Section 10. Section 15-10-402, MCA, is amended to 5 read: 6

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- "15-10-402. Property tax limited to 1986 levels. (1) 7 Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3), the amount of taxes levied on property described in 15-6-133, 15-6-134, 9 15-6-136, 15-6-139y-15-6-142y and 15-6-144 may not, for any 1.0 taxing jurisdiction, exceed the amount levied for taxable 11 12 vear 1986.
 - (2) The limitation contained in subsection (1) does not apply to levies for rural improvement districts, Title 7, chapter 12, part 21; special improvement districts, Title 7. chapter 12, part 41; or bonded indebtedness.
 - (3) New construction or improvements to or deletions from property described in subsection (1) are subject to taxation at 1986 levels.
 - (4) As used in this section, the "amount of taxes levied" and the "amount levied" mean the actual dollar amount of taxes imposed on an individual piece of property, notwithstanding an increase or decrease in value due to inflation, reappraisal, adjustments in the percentage multiplier used to convert appraised value to taxable value,

- changes in the number of mills levied, or increase or 1 decrease in the value of a mill." 2
- Section 11. Section 15-16-611, MCA, is amended to 3 read: 4
- *15-16-611. Reduction of property tax for property 5 destroyed by natural disaster. (1) The department of revenue shall, upon showing by a taxpayer that some or all of the improvements on his real property or a trailer or mobile home as-described-in-15-6-142 have been destroyed to such an extent that such improvements have been rendered unsuitable 10 for their previous use by natural disaster, adjust the 11 taxable value on the property, accounting for the 12 destruction. 13
- (2) The county treasurer shall adjust the tax due and 14 payable for the current year on the property under 15-16-102 15 16 as provided in subsection (3) of this section.
- (3) To determine the amount of tax due for destroyed 17 18 property, the county treasurer shall:

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- (a) multiply the amount of tax levied and assessed on the original taxable value of the property for the year by the ratio that the number of days in the year that the property existed before destruction bears to 365; and
- (b) multiply the amount of tax levied and assessed on 23 24 the adjusted taxable value of the property for the remainder of the year by the ratio that the number of days remaining 25

- in the year after the destruction of the property bears to 365.
- 3 (4) This section does not apply to delinquent taxes 4 owed on the destroyed property for a year prior to the year 5 in which the property was destroyed.
- 6 (5) For the purposes of this section, "natural disaster" includes but is not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, or wind."
- 9 Section 12. Section 15-24-1102, MCA, is amended to 10 read:

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- "15-24-1102. Federal property held under contract of sale. When the property is held under a contract of sale or other agreement whereby upon payment the legal title is or may be acquired by the person, the real property shall must be assessed and taxed as defined in 15-6-131--through 15-6-149 Title 15, chapter 6, part 1, and 15-8-111 without deduction on account of the whole or any part of the purchase price or other sum due on the property remaining unpaid. The lien for the tax may not attach to, impair, or be enforced against any interest of the United States in the real property."
- 22 **Section 13.** Section 15-24-1103, MCA, is amended to read:
- 24 "15-24-1103. Federal property held under lease. When 25 the property is held under lease, other interest, or estate

- therein less than the fee, except under contract of sale, 1 the property shall must be assessed and taxed as for the 2 value, as defined-in-15-6-131-through-15-6-149 set forth in 3 Title 15, chapter 6, part 1, of such the leasehold, 4 interest, or estate in the property and the lien for the tax 5 shall attach to and be enforced against only the leasehold, interest, or estate in the property. When the United States 7 authorizes the taxation of the property for the full assessed value of the fee thereof, the property shall must 9 be assessed for full assessed value as defined in 15-8-111." 10
 - Section 14. Section 67-3-204, MCA, is amended to read:

 *67-3-204. Fee in lieu of tax on registered mircraft

 -- decal. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3), aircraft required to be registered in Montana are subject to a fee. The registration fee is in lieu of property tax.
 - (2) The department shall issue a decal to the owner of the aircraft required to be registered at the time of payment of the registration fee in lieu of tax, as provided in 67-3-201. No aircraft subject to a fee in lieu of tax may be operated in this state unless there is displayed on the aircraft a decal as visual proof that the fee in lieu of tax has been paid for the aircraft and that the aircraft is registered for the current year.
 - (3) Aircraft that meet the description of property described in $\frac{15-6-147}{15-6-145}$ are exempt from the fee

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- 1 imposed by subsection (1). Aircraft subject to the fee in
- 2 lieu of tax are exempt from all other taxation."
- 3 NEW SECTION. Section 15. Repealer. Sections 15-6-139,
- 4 15-6-140, 15-6-142, 15-6-146 through 15-6-148, 15-6-150, and
- 5 15-6-155, MCA, are repealed.
- 6 NEW SECTION. Section 16. Code commissioner
- 7 instruction. (1) The code commissioner is instructed to
- 8 change the property class designation for sections in Title
- 9 15, chapter 6, part 1, as follows:
- 10 (a) property in 15-6-141 is redesignated as class
- ll nine;
- 12 (b) property in 15-6-143 is redesignated as class ten;
- 13 (c) property in 15-6-144 is redesignated as class
- 14 eleven:
- 15 (d) property in 15-6-145 is redesignated as class
- 16 twelve:
- 17 (e) property in 15-6-149 is redesignated as class
- 18 thirteen.

- 19 (2) The code commissioner is instructed to change all
 - property class references in the Montana Code Annotated to
- 21 reflect the redesignations as set forth in subsection (1).
- 22 NEW SECTION. SECTION 17. SEVERABILITY. IT IS THE
- 23 INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT [SECTION 4] IS VOID UNLESS A
- 24 NEW FACILITY EMPLOYING AT LEAST 15 EMPLOYEES IN THE
- 25 PROCESSING OF CANOLA SEED OIL LOCATES IN THE STATE OF

- MONTANA AFTER [THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT].
- NEW SECTION. Section 18. Effective date. [This act]
- 3 is effective on passage and approval.
- 4 NEW SECTION. Section 19. Applicability. [This act]
- 5 applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1989.

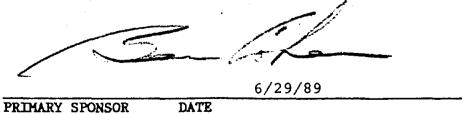
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Property Type		1988 Tax rate	Proposed Tax rate	1988 Taxable Value	Proposed Taxable Value	Change in Taxable Value	1988 Taxes Levied by State, County and Schools
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Class 1 Net Proceeds Class 2 Strip Goal GP Class 2 Metal Mines GP Class 2 Undgrd Coal GP Class 3 Ag & mine clai Class 4 Real Property Class 5 New Ind, Poll Class 6 Livestock & re Class 7 Ind, Rural Tele Class 8 PERS PROPERTY Class 9 Utilities Class 10 Timber Land Class 11 Airlines Class 11 Railroads Class 12 Farmstead, im	1.000000 0.450000 0.030000 0.333000 0.30000 0.041500 0.030000 0.040000 0.109000 0.120000 0.120000 0.120000 0.120000			Taxable Val Proposed Ta Change in T Taxes ST,CO Taxes Citie Total Taxes Propsed Tot Change in T	x Value ax Value .SCH s & Towns al Taxes	1,937,328,736 1,939,735,693 2,406,957 436,479,370 43,807,225 480,286,595 480,136,319 (150,275	• •

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Property Type	1988 Tan rate	Proposed Tax rate	1988 Taxable Value	Proposed Taxable Value	Change in Taxable Value	1988 Taxes Levied by State, County and Schools	1988 Taxes Levied by Cities and To≠ns	Total 1988 Taxes Levied	Total Proposed Taxes Levied	Change in Taxes Levied	Avg Mill Levy
1 Net Proceeds	100.000%	100.000%	279.816.735	279.816,735	0	44,469,516	3.854	44,473,369	44,473,369	0	158.94
2 Gross Proceeds of Com! Strip Mines	45.000%	45.000%	122,610,046	122,610,046	0	13,498,902	a	13,498,902	13,498,902	0	110.10
3 Gross Proceeds of Metal Mines	3.000%		7.887.795	7,887,795	0		8,818	2,151,104		Ō	272.71
4 Gross Proceeds of Underground Coal	33,300%	33.300%	O	0	0	0	a	0	0	O	0.00
Class 2 Totals			130,497,841	130,497,841	0	15,641,187	8,816	15.650.005	15.650.005	. 0	119.93
5 Eligible Mining Claims	30.000%	30.000%	8,805	8,805	0	2,089	2,561	4,650	4,650	0	528.13
5 Grazing Land	30.000%		38,374,487	38.374.487	Ó	8,683,151	1,196	8.684.347		Ŏ	226.31
5 Tillable Inrigated	30.000%		13,774,339	13.774.339	0		2,599	3.269.517		0	237.36
5 Tillable Non-Irrigated	30.000%		83,394,245	83.394.245	0		705	19,237,154		0	230.68
5 Wild Hay	30.000%	30.000%	5,536,827	5.536.827	0	1,341,685	233	1,341.917	1,341,917	D	242.36
Class 3 Totals			141,088,703	141.088,703	o	32,530,292	7.294	32,537.585	32,537,585	0	230.62
f City/town Lots Commercial	3.860%	4.150%	35,613,176	38.288,777	2,675,601	10,128,113	3,346,750	13,474,863	14,487,224	1,012,360	378.37
6 City/town Lots Residential	3.860%		54,481,389	58.574.550	4.093.161	15.536.887	4.757.757	20.294.644		1,524,727	372.51
é Exempt Improvements	0.000%		. 6	0	0	_	· O	0		0	0.00
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6 Farmstead 1 Acre - Low Income	1,902%		32.401	34,837	2.436		12	8.265		521	255.09
6 Improved Existing Improvements	2.140%		70,004	75.271	5.267		6,374	27.605		2,077	394.33
E Impr. on Ag Land - Low Income	1.367%		126,005	135,585	9.500		83	31,852		2,400	252.62
6 Impr. on City/Town Lots Commercial	3.860% 3.860%		100,178,185 170,680,043	107,704,525	7.526.340 12.823.112		9,189,769 14,475,081	37,998.872 63,454.286		2.854.838	379.31 371.77
6 Impr. on City/Town Lots Residential 6 Impr. on Class 20 Out of Production	3.860%		170,000,043	103,505,1501	2.023.12		14,4/3.061	03.454.200	68,221,576	4,767.291	0.00
6 Impr. on Disparately Owned Ag Land	3.860%		765,041	822,518	57.477	•	7,396	173,631		13.045	226.96
C Impr. on Hydraulic Power Works	3.860%		0	0		0	1,050	.,,,,,,,,,		.5.0-5	0.00
6 Impr. on Industrial Sites	3.860%		22,778,451	24,489,785	1,711,334	5.987,132	467,658	6.454.790		484.945	283.37
e Impr. on Qualified Golf Courses	1.930%		441,140	474.283	33.143	129.585	5,807	135,395		10,172	306.92
e Impr, on Right of Way	3.860%	4,150%	811,445	872,410	60.964		62.011	261.590		19,661	322.50
Cleon, on Surban Tracts Commercial	3.860%		23.302.089	25.052.764	1.750.675		300.587	6,968,209		523.524	299.04
i lmor, on Surban Tracts Residential	3.860%		103,533,799	111,312,245	7.778.446		103,401	29.407.279		2.209,355	794.04
· lmor, on Tracts and Lots - Low Income	2.258%		3,740.799	4.022.436	281.637		216.307	1,295.698		97.550	346.37
- Industrial Sites	3.860%		2.628.515	3.041.020	212.505		67,911	892,263		67.035	315.45
Murrile momes	3.860% 2.226%		15.217.825 274.025	16,361,136 294,583	1,143,308 20,558		392.775	4,511,890		338.976	296.49
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- Supurban Bracts Commercial	3.860%		8,628,060	9.276.282	648.222		97.328	2.559.211		192.272	296.€
Suburban Tracts Residential	3.860%		56.384.527	60,620,670	4,236,143		61.018	15.895.860		1, 194, 249	281.92
Suburban Tracts - Low Income	2.282%		1.347.506	1,448,490	100.974		82.404	461.952		34,616	342.82
Adjustment for 20% Exemp. of 1st \$40.00			0	O	C		0	0		0	339.95
Class 4 Totals			601,434,314	646.620.130	45,185.816	170.803.163	33,653,452	204,456,614	219.817.460	15,360,846	339.95
1 44r and H20 Pollution Control	3.000%	3.000%	14,099,825	14,099,825	c	2.113.820	53.929	2,167,748	2,167,748	0	153.74
7 4 1 Gason ! Related Property	3.000%		550	550	ā		0	137		o o	249.09
inpr. on New Industrial Sites	3.000%	3.000%	1,066,977	1.068.977	C	409.893	444	410.337		ō	383.86
" _::all, assessed Co-op improvements	3.000%		10,140	10,140	G	2,532	176	2,708		ŏ	267.10
Locally assessed Co-on Land	3.000%		65,602	65,602	0	15.638	7,346	22.984		- Ō	350.36
" Lacally Assessed Co-op Pers. Prop.	3.000%		558.390	558,390	0	120,349	1.646	121.994		ō	2'8.48
Locally Assessed Co-op Vehicles	3.000%		47,579	47.579	Ç	10,662	2,523	13.186		0	277.13
* New Industrial Sites	3.000%	3.000%	4,470	4.470	C	1,289	318	1.607	1.607	0	359.43

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7 New Industry - Other Property	3.000%	3.000%	2,247,362	2,247,362	O	760.770	703	761,474	761,474	(0)	338.83	
7 R & D Improved Improvements	0.000%	3.000%	· C	0	0	0	0	0	_	0	0.00	
7 R & D Improvements	3.000%	3.000%	20.310	20.310	Ð		. 0	4,671		0	229.98	
7 R & D Land	3.000%	3.000%	876	876	0	201	0	201		0	229.96	
7 R & D Personal Property	3.000%	3.000%	15,053	15.053	Ō		.0	3,462		Ō	229.98	
7 Rural Compp companies	3.000%	3.000%	5.957.521	8.957.521	0	2,097,978	71,347	2.169.326	2,169,326	0	242.16	
Class 5 Totals			27,096,655	27.096.655	D	5,541,403	138.432	5.679.835	5,679,835	(0)	209.61	
8 Rental Equipment	4,000%	4.000%	200.346	200,346	0	55.644	14,247	69.891	69,891	0	348.85	
6 Cattle .	4.000%		20.255.833	20,255,533	0		563	4,662,707		0	230.19	
8 Horses	4.000%		953,034	953.034	0	232.457	854	233,311		0	244.81	
B Otner Livestock	4.000%		57.024	57.024	Ģ		70	13.745		0	241.04	
B Sneep	4.000%		626.679	626.679	0		.6	137.609		0	219.58	
8 Swine	4.000%	4.000%	109.008	109.008	0	24,683	13	24.696	24,696	0	226.55	
Class 6 Totals			22,201,924	22.201.924	0	5,126,206	15.753	5,141,959	5,141,959	0	231.60	
9 Indep. Telephone Companies	8.000%	8.000%	626,129	626,129	0	162.372	1.869	164.240	164,240	0	262.3	
9 Rural Telephone Property	8.000%	B.000%	67.291	67.291	Ö		0	22,584		0	335.62	
Class 7 Totals			693,420	693.420	0	184.956	1.869	186,825	186,825	0	269.4	
D Ag Implements	11.000%		\$5.254,775	54.752,459	(502.316		10,684	12.857,327		(115,067)	229.07	
O All Other Property	16.000%		168.127	114,537	(53,590		7.067	45,574		(14.527)		
O Buses	13.000%		171,932	144,158	(27,774		2,543	43,606		(7,044)		
O Cable TV Systems	16.000%		1,709,878	1,164,854	(545,024		110,774	591.629		(188,582)	346.0	
O CB's and Mobile Phones	13.000% 16.000%		184.541 3,224.825	154,731 2,196,912	(29.610		3.589	48.834		(7,889)	264.63 171.59	
0 Coal and One Haulers 0 Funniture and fixtures	13.000%		41,280,363	2.196.9:2	(1.027.913 (41.260.363		119 3.230.732	553,354 15,078,153		(176,382) (15,078,153)		
O Machin, other than farm, Min., Manuf.	11,000%		24.999.646	24.772.376	(227,270		188.015	5.495.527		(49.959)	219.83	
O Manufacturing Machinery	11.000%		72,949,015	72,285,842	(663.173		670.664	19.572.062		(177.928)	268.30	
S Mining Machinery	11.000%		1.327.230	1,315,164	(12,086		2.256	348.683		(3.170)		
O Oil Field Equipment	11,000%		19.797.678	19.617.699	(179,979		10,544	3.139.380		(28,540)		
6 Radio and TV Broadcasting Equip.	16.000%		1.159.617	789.989	(369,628		52,926	392.396		(125,076)	338.36	
C Fental Equipment	11,000%		1,587,747	1,573,313	(14,434		119,628	553,043		(5,028)	348.3	
7 Ski Lifts	11.000%		390,981	387.427	(3.554		. 0	109.343		(994)	279.6	
n Supplies and Materials	11.000%	10.900%	6,757,722	6.696.285	(61,434		91.645	1.678.547		(15,260)	248.39	
Theatre and Sound Equipment	16.000%	10.900%	111.965	76.276	(35,689	34,338	7,560	41,898	28,543	(13,355)	374.20	
o Traiters	11.000%	10.900%	4.529.825	4,488,645	(41,180	1,147,122	72,619	1.219.741	1,208,653	(11,089)	269,27	
- Trucks 1 to 1 1/2 Tons	13,000%	10.90C%	3,776,989	3,166,860	(610,129	958.532	90,355	1.048.887	879.451	(169.436)	277,70	
Trucks over 1 1/2 Tons	11.060%	10.900%	7.614.418	7.545.198	(69.222	1,897,999	127,262	2.025,261	2,006,850	(18,411)	265.98	
Class & Totals			246.997,274	201,242,726	(45,754,548	59.844.263	4.798.983	64,643,246	48,437,359	(16,205,887)	261.72	
* Electric Companies	12.000%		143.971.122	143,971,122	0		99.623	20.581,347		(0)	142.95	
Gas and Electric Companies	12.000%		126.159.951	128,159.981	0		1.064.235	28.949.909	28.949.909	ō	225.89	
* Natural Gas companies	12,000%		978,738	978.738	Ō		902	205,683		Ō	210.15	
* Papelines	12.000%		43.153.714	43,153,714	0	8.861.126	46.889	8,908,015	8,908,015	0	206.43	
Telecomm. Companies	12.000%	12.000%	62,137,056	62.137.056	0	17.562.463	3,535,950	21,098,413		0	339.55	
Class 9 Totals			378,400,611	378,400,611	o	74,995,769	4,747,598	79.743.367	79,743,367	(0)	210.74	

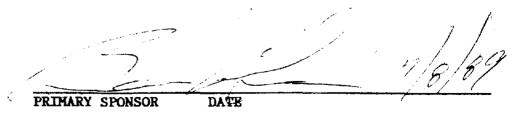
Property Type	1988 Tax rate	Proposed Tax rate	1988 Taxeble Value	Proposed Taxable Value	Change in Taxable Value	1988 Taxes Levied by State, County and Schools	1988 Taxes Levied by Cities and Towns	Total 1988 Taxes Levied	Total Proposed Taxes Levied		Avg Mill Levy
10 12 Timber Land	3.84D%	3.840%	6,488,624	6,488,624	0	1,823,258	149	1,823,407	1,823,407	Đ	281.02
11 13 Airlines . 11 14 Railroads	12.000% 10.970%			5,933,492 40,294,941	(149,541) (1,016,788)	1,854,517	52,778 360,329	1.917,295 10,648,938		(47,134) (262,D49)	315.19 257.72
Class 11 Totals			47,394,762	46,228,433	(1,166,329)	12,141,125	423,107	12,564,233	12,255,051	(309,182)	265.10
12 15 Farmstead 1 Acre 12 15 Impr. on Ag and Timber Land	3.088% 3.088%			4,147,715 55,125,996	789,840 3,852,178	1,004,984	740 6,646	1,005,724 12,357,168		75.560 928.368	260.69 241.00
Class 12 Totals			55,131,693	59.273.711	4,142,018	13,355,505	7,387	13,362,892	14.366.840	1,003,946	242.38
13 16 Nonproductive Land Under 20 Acres	2.000%	2.000%	86,180	86,180	0	22,727	530	23,256	23.256	(0)	269.86
Class 1 thru 13 Totals			1.937,328,736	1,939,735. 693	2.406.957	436,479,370	43,807,225	480.286.595	480,136,319	(150.275)	247,91

SPONSOR'S FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15S

There is hereby submitted a Sponsor's Fiscal Note for: HB 48 , Version: Second Reading (As Amended)

See attached Fiscal Note Information on House Bill 48 (as amended in Committee of the Whole)



Fiscal Note for: HB 48 Version: Second Reading (As Amended)

HB 48

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NW.	Property Description	Proposed Rates		
1	Class 1 Net Proceeds	1,000000		
2	Class 2 Strip Cost GP	0.450000	Taxable Value	1.937.328,736
	Class 2 Metal Mines GP	0.030000	Proposed Tax Value	1,896,466,590
-	Class 2 Undgrd Coal GP	D.333000	Change in Tax Value	(40,862,146)
3	Class 3 Ap & mine clai	0.300000	Taxes ST.CO.SCH	436,479,370
4	Class 4 Real Property	0.038600	Taxes Cities & Towns	43 807 225
Ţ.	Class 5 New Ind. Poll	0.030000	Total Taxes	480.286.595
6	Class 6 Livestock & re	0.040000	Propsed Total Taxes	469.016.859
7	Class 7 Ind Rurs! Tele	0.080000	Change in Taxes	(11,269,735)
ú	Class 8 PERS PROPERTY	0.096000		
	Class 9 Utilities	0.120000		
٠	Class 10 Timper Land	0.038400		
	Class 11 Airlines	O.12000D		
- 4	Class 13 Railroads	0.109700		
• 1	Class 12 Farmstead, im	0.030880		
	Class 13 Under 20 A no	0.020000		
_	Class 14 Exempted	0.00000		

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Property Type	1988 Tax rate	Proposed Tax rate	1988 Taxable Value	Proposed Taxable Value	Change in Taxable Value	1988 Taxes Levied by State, County and Schools	1988 Taxes Levied by Cities and Towns	Total 1988 Taxes Levied	Total Proposed Taxes Levied	Change in Texes Leviad	Avg Mill Levy
1 Net Proceeds	100.000%	100.000%	279.816,735	279,816,735	C	44,469,516	3,854	44,473,369	44,473,369	0	158.94
2 2 Gross Proceeds of Coal Strip Mines	45.000%	45.000%	122.610.046	122.610.046	c	13.498.902	O	13,498,902	13,498,902	O	110.10
2 3 Gross Proceeds of Metal Mines ,	3.000%		7.887.795	7.887,795	C	2,142,285	8,818	2,151,104	2,151,104	0	272.71
2 4 Gross Proceeds of Underground Coal	33.300%		0	0	Ç		O	0		. 0	0.00
Class 2 Totals			130,497,841	130,497,841	C	15,641,187	8,818	15,650,005	15,650,005	o	119.93
5 5 Eligible Mining Claims	30.000%	30.000%	8,805	8.805	C	2,089	2,561	4,650	4,650	O	528.13
· 5 Grazing Land	30.000%		38,374,487	38.374.487	C		1,196	8,684,347		0	226.31
- 5 Tillable Irrigated	30.000%		13,774,339	13.774.339	9	0,200,00	2,599	3,269,517		0	237.35
- 5 Tillable Non-Irrigated	30.000%		83,394,245	83.394.245	(705	19.237.154		ō	230.68
5 Wild Hay	30.000%	30.000%	5.536.827	5,536,827	(1,341,685	233	1,341,917	1,341,917	0	242.36
Class 3 Totals			141.088.703	141.088.703	. (32,530,292	7.294	32,537,585	32,537.585	0	230.62
- 6 City/town Lots Commercial	3.860%	3.860%	35,613,176	35,613,176	(10,128,113	3,346,750	13,474,863	13,474,863	0	378.37
- 6 City/town Lats Residential	3.860%	3.860%	54.481.389	54,461,389	(15,536.887	4.757.757	20,294,644		0	372.51
→ 6 Exempt Improvements	0.000%		D	0	(. 0	0	0	0	. 0	0.DO
- 6 Exempt Land	0.000%		D	0	{		0	0		ā	0.00
- 6 Farmstead 1 Acre - Law Income	1.902%		32,401	32.401	(8,253	12	8,265		0	255.09
- 6 Improved Existing Improvements	2.140%		70,004	70.004	(21.231	6,374	27.605		ū	394.33
- 6 Impr. on Ag Land - Low Income	1.367%		126,085	126.085	(31,769	83 9.189.769	31,852 37,998,872		Ů,	252.62 379.31
6 Impr. on City/Town Lats Commercial 5 Impr. on City/Town Lats Residential	3.860% 3.860%		100,178,185 170,680,043	100,178,185 170,680,043	,	28,809,103 48,979,204	14,475.081	63,454,286		č	371.77
- 6 Impr. on Class 20 Out of Production	3.860%		0.000,043	170,000,043	,	78,919,107	0	03,434,200		ň	0.00
- 6 Impr. on Disparately Daned Ag Land	3.860%		765,041	765.041	i	166,234	7,396	173,631	173,631	ŏ	226.96
- 6 Impr. on Hydraulic Power Works	3.86D%		0	0	ì	0	Ö	0	0	ō	0.00
- 6 Impr. on Industrial Sites	3.860%		22,778,451	22,778,451	i	5,987,132	467,658	6,454.790		0	283.37
- 6 Impr. on Qualified Golf Courses	1.930%	1.930%	441,140	441,140	(129,588	5,807	135,395		O	306.92
→ 6 Impr. on Right of Way	3.86DN	3.860%	811,446	811,446	1	, ,,,,,,,	62,011	261,690		0	322.50
4 6 Impr. on Surban Tracts Commercial	3.860%		23,302,089	23,302,089	(300,587	6,968,289		(o	
~ 6 Impr. on Surban Tracts Residential	3.860%		103,533,799	103,533,799	Į	29,303,878	103,401	29,407,279		0	284.04
- 6 Impr. on Tracts and Lots - Low Income	2.258%		3,740,799	3,740,799	(216,307	1,295.698		0	346.37
- 6 Industrial Sites	3.860%		2,828,515	2.828,515	!	, ,,,,,,	67.911	892,263		0	315.45 296.49
- 6 Mobile Homes	3.860%		15,217,828 274,025	15,217,828 274,025			392,77B 9,932	4,511,890 87,449		u	319.13
4 6 Mobile Homes - Retired and Disabled 4 6 Qualified Golf Courses	2.226%		199.805	199.805			3,08B	60.832		ő	304.46
→ 6 Suburban Tracts Commercial	3.860%		6.628.060	8.628.060			97.328	2.559.211		ō	296.61
- 6 Suburban Tracts Residential	3.860%		56.384.527	56.384.527		_,	61.018	15,895,860		ŏ	281.92
- 6 Suburban Tracts - Low Income	2.2821		1,347,506	1.347.506			82,404	461,952		ō	342.82
= 6 Adjustment for 20% Exemp, of 1st \$40,000			0	G	i	0	0	0		0	339.95
Class 4 Tutals			601,434,314	601,434,314		170,803,163	33,653,452	204,456,614	204,456,614	(0	339.95
5 7 Air and H20 Pollution Control	3.0009		14,099,825	14.099.825	į	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	53,929	2,167,748		ō	
7 All Gasonol Related Property	3.0001		550	550	(0	137		0	249.09
7 Impr. on New Industrial Sites	3.0001		1.068.977	1,068,977		409,893	444	410,337		0	383.86
5 7 Locally Assessed Corop Improvements	3.0001		10,140	10,140	1		176	2.708		Ď	267.10
7 Locally Assessed Co-op Land	3.0001		65,602	65,602		15,638	7,346	22.984		υ 0	350.36 218.48
7 Locally Assessed Co-op Pers. Prop.	3.0001		558,390	558,390		120,349	1,646 2,523	121.994 13.186		d q	218.40
7 Locally Assessed Co-op Vehicles	3.0001		47,579 4,470	47,579 4,470		1.289	2,523 318	1.607		ก	359.43
- 7 New Industrial Sites	3 . 0001	3.000%	4,470	4,470		. 1,269	310	1.007	1.007	D	335.40

7 New Industry - Other Property 7 R & D Improved Improvements 7 R & D Improvementa 7 R & D Land 7 R & D Personal Property 7 Rural Co-op companies Class 5 Totals 8 Rental Equipment 8 Cattle 9 Horses 6 Other Livestock	3.000% 0.000% 3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	2,247,362 0 20,310 876 15,053 6,957,521 27,096,655 200,346 20,255,833	2,247,362 0 20,310 676 15,053 8,957,521 27,096,655	0 0 0 0 0	760,770 0 4,671 201 3,462 2,097,978	703 0 0 0 0 0 71,347	761,474 0 4,671 201 3,462 2,169,326	0 4.671 201 3,462	(0) 9 0 0	338.83 0.00 229.96 229.98 229.96
7 R & D Improvaments 7 R & D Land 7 R & D Personal Property 7 Rural Co-op companies Class 5 Totals 8 Rental Equipment 8 Cattle 8 Horses 8 Other Livestock	3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 3.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	20,310 876 15,053 8,957,521 27,096,655 200,346 20,255,833	20,310 876 15,053 8,957,521 27,096,655	0	4,671 201 3,462 2,097,978	0 0 0	4,671 201 3,462	4,671 201 3,462	0	229.98 229.98
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7 R & D Personal Property 7 Rural Co-op companies Class 5 Totals - B Rental Equipment 8 Cattle B Horses B Other Livestock	3 . DOO% 3 . DOO% 4 . DOO% 4 . OOO% 4 . OOO% 4 . OOO%	3.000% 3.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	15,053 8,957,521 27,096,655 200,346 20,255,833	15,053 8,957,521 27,096,655	0	3,462 2,097,978	71,347	3,462	3,462	ŏ	
7 Rural Co-op companies Class 5 Totals - 8 Rental Equipment 8 Cattle 8 Morses 8 Other Livestock	4 . DOOK 4 . DOOK 4 . DOOK 4 . DOOK 4 . DOOK	4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	8,957,521 27,096,655 200,346 20,255,833	8,957,521 27,096,655	0	2,097,978	71,347				
8 Rental Equipment 8 Cattle 8 Horses 8 Other Livestock	4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	200.346 20.255.833		D	F F41 400				Ų	242.18
B Cattle B Horses B Other Livestock	4.000% 4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	20.255.833	200,346		5,541,403	138,432	5,679,835	5,679,835	(0)	209.61
8 Horses 8 Other Livestock	4.000% 4.000% 4.000%	4.000%			D	55.644	14,247	69,891	69,691	0	348.85
8 Other Livestock	4.000%	4.000%		20,255,833	Ō	4,662,144	563	4.662,707		0	230.19
	4.000%		953,034	953,034	0	232,457	854	233.311	233,311	ō	244.81
			57.024	57.024	. 0	13,675	70 6	13,745		0	241.04
B Sheep 8 Swine			626,679 109,008	626,679 109,008	0	137,603 24,683	13	137,609 24,696		0	219.58 226.55
Class & Totals			22,201,924	22,201,924	0	5,126,206	15,753	5,141,959	5,141,959	o	231.60
9 Indep. Telephone Companies	8.000%	8.000%	626,129	626,129	0	162,372	1,869	164,240	164,240	0	262.31
9 Rural Telephone Property	8.000%	8.000%	67,291	67,291	Ó		0	22,584		D	335.62
Class 7 Totals			693,420	693,420	0	194,956	1,869	186,825	186,825	0	269.42
3 10 Ag Implements	11.000%		55,254,775	48,222,349	(7,032,426)		10,684	12,657,327		(1,610,932)	
10 All Other Property	16.000% 13.000%		168,127 171,932	100,876 126,965	(67,251) (44,967)		7,067 2,543	45,574 43,606		(18,230) (11,405)	
: 10 Buses : 10 Cable TV Systems	16.000%		1.709.878	1.025.927	(683.951		110.774	591,629		(236,651)	
- 10 CB's and Mobile Phones	13.000%		184,541	136,276	(48.265)		3,589	48.834		(12,772)	
10 Coal and Ore Haulers	16.000%		3,224,825	1,934,895	(1,289,930)		119	553,354		(221,342)	
1D Furniture and Fixtures	13.000%		41,280,363	30,483,960	(10,796,403)		3,230,732	15,078,153		(3.943,517)	
10 Machin, other than Farm, Min., Manuf.	11.000%		24,999,546	21,817,873	(3,181,773		188,015	5,495,527		(699,431)	
10 Manufecturing Machinery	11.000% 11.000%		72,949,015 1,327,230	63,664.595 1,158,310	(9,284,420) (168,920)		670,664 2,256	19,572,062 348,683		(2,490,990)	
1 10 Mining Machinery 1 10 Oil Field Equipment	11.000%		19.797.678	17,277,974	(2.519.704		10.544	3.139.380		(44,378) (399,557)	
10 Radio and TV Broadcasting Equip.	16.000%		1,159,617	695,770	(463,847		52.926	392,396		(156.958)	
10 Rental Equipment	11,000%		1,587,747	1,385,670	(202.077		119.628	553.043		(70,387)	
10 Ski Lifts	11.000%	9.600%	390,981	341,220	(49,761)	109,343	. 0	109,343		(13,916)	
10 Supplies and Materials	11.000%		6,757,722	5,897,648	(860,074)		91,645	1,678,547		(213,633)	
10 Theatre and Sound Equipment	16.000X		111,965	67,179	(44,786		7,560	41,698		(16,759)	
10 Trailers	11.000%		4.529.825	3,953,302	(576.523		72.619	1,219,741		(155,240)	
5 1D Trucks 1 to 1 1/2 Tons 5 1D Trucks over 1 1/2 Tons	13.000% 11.000%		3,776,989 7,614,418	2,789,181 6,645,31D	(987.828 (989,108		90,355 127,262	1.048.887		(274,324) (257,761)	
Cinss 8 Totals			246,997,274	207,725,261	(39,272,013	59,844,263	4,798,983	64,643,248	53,795,062	(10,848,184)	
9 11 Electric Companies	12.000%	12.000%	143.971,122	143,971,122	D	20,481,725	99,623	20.581,347	20,581,347	(0)	142.95
11 Gas and Electric Companies	12.0001		128,159,981	128,159,981	ō	27,885,674	1,064,235	28,949,909		`ō´	225.89
e 11 Natural Gas companies	12.0001		978,738	978.738	0	204,781	902	205,683		0	210.15
d 11 Pipelines	12.0001		43,153,714	43,153,714	D	8,861,126	46,889	8,908,015		0	206.43
9 11 Telecomm. Companies	12.000%	12.000%	62,137,056	62,137.056	D	17,562,463	3,535.950	21,098,413	21,098,413	0	339.55
Class 9 Totals			378,400,611	378,400,611	a	74,995,769	4,747,598	79,743,367	79.743,367	(0)	210.74

Property Type	1988 Tax rate	Proposed Tex rate	1988 Taxabla Value	Proposed Tsumble Value	Change in Taxable Value	1988 Taxes Levied by State, County and Schools	1988 Taxes Levied by Cities and Towns	Total 1988 Takes Levied	Total Proposed Taxes Levied	Change in Taxes Levied	Avg Mill Levy
12 Timber Land	3.840%	3.840%	6,488,624	6,488,624	0	1,823,258	149	1,823,407	1,823,407	0	281.02
1 13 Airlines 1 14 Reilroads	12.000% 10.970%			5,878,744 39,925,884	(204,289) (1,385,845)		62,778 360,329	1,917,295 10,646,938		(64,389) (357,163)	315.19 257.72
Class 11 Totals			47,394,762	45,804,629	(1,590,133)	12,141,125	423,107	12,564,233	12,142,681	(421,552)	265.10
- 15 Farmstead 1 Acre - 15 Impr. on Ag and Timber Land	3.088% 3.088%			3,857,875 51,273,818	D D	1,004,984 12,350,522	740 6,646	1,005,724 12,357,166		0	260.69 241.00
Class 12 Totals			55,131,693	55,131,693	0	13,355.505	7,387	13,362,892	13,362,892	0	242.38
· 16 Nonproductive Land Under 20 Acres	2.000%	2.000%	86,180	86,180	o	22.727	530	23,256	23,256	(0)	269.86
Class 1 thru 13 Totals			1,937,328,736	1,896,466,590	(40,862,146)	436,479,370	43.807,225	480,286,595	469,016,859	(11,269,735)	247.91