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SENATE REVENUE COMMITTEE

February 23, 1999 - 3:00 P.M. - HEARING ROOM A - STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

Members Present: Senator Randy Miller, Chair Senator Thomas Wilde, Vice Chair Senator Lee Beyer Senator Tom Hartung Senator Charles Starr Staff: Paul Warner, Legislative Revenue Officer Ed Waters, Economist, Legislative Revenue Office Joan Green, Committee Assistant

Invited Witnesses: Susan Browning, Department of Revenue

Dexter Johnson, Legislative Counsel

Keith Burns, Citizen

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005 Chair Miller

Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m.

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022 Ed Waters Described the effect of the (-1) amendment, adopted by the Committee on February 15, to SB 259.

		Fiscal Impact Statement entered for the record. (Exhibit 1) Revenue Impact Statements entered for the record. (Exhibit 2)
048	Waters	Described the effect of the (-3) amendment. (Exhibit 4) SB 259-1 -3 Revenue impact statement entered for the record. (Exhibit 3)
		Described the effect of the (-4) amendments. (Exhibit 6) SB 259-1 ñ4 Revenue impact statement entered for the record. (Exhibit 5)
063	Chair Miller	Discussion and questions regarding timeframes, as they relate to an emergency clause and whether amendments are needed to expedite the refund process.
138		Continued discussion and questions regarding how quickly the Department could process claims, if the bill passed out without amendments.
278	Chair Miller	MOTION: MOVED (-3) AMENDMENTS TO SB 259, AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED BY THE (-1) AMENDMENTS, BE ADOPTED.
285		Discussion and questions regarding the effect of the (-3) amendment. (Exhibit 4)
352	Browning	Read lines 2-3 of the (-3) amendments. Is it the Legislature's intent to have this apply to the refunds currently being processed by the Department of Revenue?
372	Chair Miller	That is not the intent, does the language need to be clarified?
377	Waters	"It was my understanding that the language affects only the refunds for the closed year, but Dexter Johnson of Legislative Counsel would need to speak to that issue."
391	Chair Miller	Committee recessed pending Dexter Johnsonís arrival.
		Committee reconvened at 3:30 p.m.

Requested Mr. Johnson respond to the question posed by the Department concerning the (-3) amendments and clarify if that would apply to current refunds being made by

the Department.

421	Dexter Johnson	The current refunds that are being paid do not fall under this section. The language could be clarified to reflect that the current refunds are not affected.
429	Chair Miller	Requested Counsel draft language to reflect the Committee's intent that this bill will not affect current refunds.

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021	Sen. Starr	If the amendment is read in conjunction with $\beta 2$ of the bill clarification is not necessary. "I am comfortable with the (-3) amendment as it stands."
031	Johnson	Concurred.
037	Vice Chair Wilde	Concurred with Sen. Starr and shares Sen. Starrís comfort level in moving the amendment.
042	Chair Miller	Requested Mr. Burns speak to his comfort level in the Committee's proceeding today with the adoption of the (-3) amendment.
059	Keith Burns	The intent has been established for the record and has resolved any concerns.
073	VOTE	ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION PASSES 5-0-0
		SENATORS VOTING AYE: Beyer, Hartung, Starr, Wilde, Chair Miller
		Amendment adopted.
082	Chair Miller	MOTION: MOVED SB 259, AS AMENDED, TO THE SENATE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS AS AMENDED RECOMMENDATION.
084	VOTE	ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION PASSES 5-0-0
		SENATORS VOTING AYE: Beyer, Hartung, Starr, Wilde, Chair Miller

Carrier of the bill will be assigned at a later date.

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096	Ed Waters	Described what SB 260 does. Reviewed the conceptual amendment, which is now in LC draft form as the (-1) amendment. (Exhibit 7)
116	Vice Chair Wilde	MOTION: MOVED (-1) AMENDMENTS TO SB 260 BE ADOPTED. HEARING NO OBJECTION, THE CHAIR SO ORDERED.
121	Vice Chair Wilde	MOTION: MOVED SB 260, AS AMENDED, TO THE SENATE FLOOR WITH A DO PASS AS AMENDED RECOMMENDATION.
124	VOTE	ROLL CALL VOTE: MOTION PASSES 5-0-0
		SENATORS VOTING AYE: Beyer, Hartung, Starr, Wilde, Chair Miller
		Vice Chair Wilde will carry the bill.
133	Chair Miller	Announced that the Committee will not meet tomorrow. Elizabeth Harchenko will make a presentation to the Committee on Thursday.
144	Chair Miller	Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.
		Submitted by, Reviewed by,

Joan Green Kim T. James

Committee Assistant Revenue Office Manager

Exhibit Summary:

- 2. SB 259, Waters, SB 259-1 Revenue impact statement, 1 page
- 3. SB 259, Waters, SB 259-1 ñ3 Revenue impact statement, 1 page
- 4. SB 259, Waters, (-3) amendments, (DJ/ps) 02/23/99, 1 page
- 5. SB 259, Waters, SB 259-1 ñ4 Revenue impact statement, 1 page
- 6. SB 259, Waters, (-4) amendments, (DJ/ps) 02/23/99, 1 page
- 7. SB 260, Waters, (-1) amendments, (DJ/ps) 02/17/99, 1 page