

**MINUTES
of the
FIRST MEETING
of the
REVENUE STABILIZATION AND TAX POLICY COMMITTEE**

**June 8, 2023
State Capitol, Room 321
Santa Fe**

The first meeting of the Revenue Stabilization and Tax Policy Committee for the 2023 interim was called to order by Senator Benny Shendo, Jr., chair, on Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 10:04 a.m. in Room 321 of the State Capitol in Santa Fe.

Present

Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr., Chair
Rep. Derrick J. Lente, Vice Chair
Rep. Micaela Lara Cadena
Rep. Christine Chandler
Rep. Mark Duncan
Sen. Ron Griggs
Rep. Susan K. Herrera
Rep. Larry R. Scott
Sen. Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics
Sen. Peter Wirth

Designees

Sen. Antonio Maestas
Rep. Alan T. Martinez
Rep. Kristina Ortez

Special Advisory Members

Rep. Cynthia Borrego
Sen. Linda M. Lopez
Sen. Joshua A. Sanchez
Sen. Bill Tallman

Staff

Pam Stokes, Staff Attorney, Legislative Council Service (LCS)
Ric Gaudet, Researcher, LCS
Rebecca Griego, Records Officer, LCS
Clinton Turner, Research and Fiscal Policy Analyst, LCS

Absent

Sen. Craig W. Brandt
Sen. William F. Burt
Sen. Pete Campos
Rep. Doreen Y. Gallegos
Rep. Jason C. Harper
Sen. George K. Muñoz
Sen. Harold Pope
Rep. Linda Serrato

Rep. Ambrose Castellano
Sen. Katy M. Duhigg
Rep. Joanne J. Ferrary
Rep. Yanira Gurrola
Rep. Rod Montoya
Sen. Gerald Ortiz y Pino
Sen. Shannon D. Pinto
Sen. Antoinette Sedillo Lopez
Sen. William E. Sharer

Guests

The guest list is in the meeting file.

Handouts

Handouts and other written testimony are in the meeting file and posted on the legislature's website.

References to Webcast

The time reference noted next to each agenda item in this document is cross-referenced to the webcast of the committee meeting, which can be found at www.nmlegis.gov, under the "Webcast" tab. The presentations made and committee discussions for agenda items can be found on the recorded webcast for this meeting.

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Welcome and Introductions (10:04 a.m.)

Senator Shendo welcomed members, staff, presenters and those attending in person and on the webcast. Members of the committee introduced themselves.

Post-Session Fiscal Review (10:13 a.m.)

Ismael Torres, chief economist, Legislative Finance Committee (LFC); Jennifer Faubion, economist, LFC; and Charles Sallee, interim director, LFC, discussed the fiscal outlook for the state following the recent legislative session. Mr. Sallee began by discussing record-level revenues and a fiscal year 2024 budget of \$9.57 billion. The increases are attributed mostly to oil and gas production in the Permian Basin in New Mexico. Ms. Faubion discussed legislation enacted in the 2023 legislative session that will have an impact on future state revenues. Mr. Torres discussed the projected state financial outlook, including economic predictors and oil and gas production estimates. The presentation can be found here:

<https://www.nmlegis.gov/handouts/RSTP%20060823%20Item%201%20LFC%20Post-Session%20Fiscal%20Report.pdf>.

Discussion of Work Plan and Meeting Schedule (11:40 a.m.)

Members of the committee discussed the proposed work plan and meeting schedule for the 2023 interim. The committee voted to meet in Las Cruces for its September meeting and to request approval of that change from the New Mexico Legislative Council. The proposed work plan and meeting schedule, as amended, were adopted unanimously by the committee.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:18 p.m.