

**TENTATIVE MEETING PLAN
for the
SELECTIVE EXCISE TAX COMMITTEE
of the
BLUE RIBBON TAX REFORM COMMISSION**

June 30 – July 1, 2003

Topics:

Gasoline tax, special fuels tax, weight-distance and trip tax, vehicle registration fees, driver's licenses fees

Discussion:

Validity of overall tax policy
Analysis of each tax

July 28-29, 2003

Topics:

Cigarette taxes, liquor excise taxes, gaming taxes

Discussion:

Validity of overall tax policy
Analysis of each tax

August 11-12, 2003

Topics:

Insurance premium taxes, motor vehicle excise taxes

Discussion:

Validity of overall tax policy
Analysis of each tax

August 25-26, 2003

Topics:

Open

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Proposed
Panel Discussion and
Public Comment Guidelines

Each meeting of the Selective Excise Tax Committee will be structured as follows:

- Panel Discussion 1 hour to 1.5 hours
- Public Comment 1 hour
- Committee work Remainder of the day

PANEL DISCUSSION:

The panel discussion will be structured to address issues concerning the topic areas. Panelists will be recognized experts in the topic area and will be selected to represent a broad spectrum of interests. The panel will be moderated by Norm Becker. Each panelist must consider the following questions in addressing topic areas.

These questions come from the mandate of HB168 and provide a consistent format for consideration by the Commission as a whole. Your comments should address each of the nine questions below and be provided in writing. Please provide 100 copies if possible. If not, please contact Janice McCrary, Legislative Council Service, Janice.mccrary@state.nm.us in advance of the meeting so copies can be made.

1. What taxpayers are impacted by this tax? Is there an understanding of the total relative burden?
2. What are the “issues”?
3. What are the strengths and weaknesses of the each “issue” under consideration?
4. What are possible improvements?
5. If pertinent, does the issue raise the need for modernization of the tax system?
6. If pertinent, does the issue contribute to a tax system that is more conducive to economic growth?
7. Analyze the possible improvements with the guiding principles of a high-quality tax system. Does it contribute to a “balanced tax system?” Discuss.
8. Analyze the economic impact of the possible improvement. What is the effect on maintaining necessary government services? Discuss
9. Is the possible improvement short-term or long-term in nature?

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Those wishing to comment will be asked to identify themselves and their business affiliations. Each person will be recognized by the chair and will be given 5 minutes to speak. All positions should be provided in writing, if possible. Positions already expressed should not be repeated. The chair will direct questions, if necessary, to individuals in the audience.