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2003 HOUSE FINANCE AND TAXATION
HB 1327

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1327

House Finance and Taxation Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 20, 2003

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Minutes:

REP. WESLEY BELTER, CHAIRMAN Called the hearing to order.

REP. BOB SKARPHOL, DIST. 2. TIOGA, ND Introduced the bill. This is a rural economic development bill. He stated he was the president of the local economic development group. The larger cities have abilities that smaller cities in rural areas do not have. They can provide tax incentives, etc., in the larger communities simply because of their size. Most of the communities with twelve hundred or less population don't have the resources to be able to give anything away. This is an attempt in revitalizing rural North Dakota. It is my intention, that this apply to all corporate entities. In my discussion with the tax department, the analyst, told me that if we were to do this in one giant step, the fiscal impact to the State Treasury, would be six million dollars. That is the reason for phasing this in. They would get a twenty five percent benefit the first year,

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fifty percent the second year, and seventy five the third year, and after four years, there would be no corporate income tax, for communities of two thousand and less in North Dakota.

SEN. RON NICHOLS, DIST. 4, Testified in support of HB 1326 and HB 1327. As all of you know, things are changing pretty fast in rural North Dakota. We are losing population, and the ones remaining in the small towns, are getting older. We are an aging population, it is difficult to keep young families in the rural towns. These two bills will help.

MARY LOFTSGARD, SUPERVISOR OF CORPORATE INCOME TAX, STATE TAX

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>, Testified in a neutral position. She stated they had certain questions in terms of clarifying the language. They have questions regarding how the bill would work, there is no definition of net income. They are not sure how the bills would mesh.

REP. WINRICH Rep. Skarphol said the reason he phased this in with 25%, 50%, 75%, etc., is that he had gotten a fiscal note, which would be six million dollars. How can you determine that, if it is done all at once, the fiscal note that we have says, the impact cannot be determined, if it is phased in. What makes it so much more difficult to determine, if it is phased in?

MARY LOFTSGARD I am going on the assumption, because the fiscal note was prepared by another staff member, I hope the initial six million dollars was based on all corporations of less than two thousand population. I think our understanding at the time was, that this would only impact new corporations.

REP. WINRICH Asked if a revised fiscal note would be prepared.

MARY LOFTSGARD Stated she would request one.

With no further testimony, the hearing was closed.

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COMMITTEE ACTION Later in the day, Tape #2, Side A, Meter #31.4

REP. HEADLAND Stated he supports the bill and would like to have amendments drafted regarding clarifying the language of the bill.

REP. WINRICH Stated he would help with getting more information and amendments drafted. Some of the committee members felt this would help with economic development in the small cities of North Dakota.

REP. BELTER Stated he would hold the bill until the amendments were drafted.

COMMITTEE ACTION 2-4-03, Tape #1, Side A, Meter #25

REP. HEADLAND Presented amendments #30341.0101 to the bill which would clarify the language for the tax department.

REP. HEADLAND Made a motion to adopt the amendments as presented.

REP. DROVDAL Second the motion. Motion carried by voice vote.

REP. CLARK Made a motion for a DO NOT PASS AS AMENDED.

REP. GROSZ Second the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

12 YES

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REP. KELSH Was given the floor assignment

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FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 02/06/2003

Amendment to:

HB 1327

1A. State fiscal effect: Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to

funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005	Biennium	2005-2007 Biennium	
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1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

2001-2003 Biennium		2003	2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium		
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2. Narrative: Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.

If enacted, Engrossed HB 1327 would provide corporate income tax deductions to businesses located in towns with populations at or below 2,000. The deduction is equal to 25% of taxable income for tax year 2003, and 50% for tax year 2004. We estimate the fiscal impact is an expected loss in state general fund revenues of \$2,25 million for the 2003-05 blennium.

- 3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:
 - A. Revenues: Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.
 - B. Expenditures: Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line Item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.
 - C. Appropriations: Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the blennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.

Name:	Kathryn L. Strombeck	Agency:	Tax Dept.
Phone Number:	328-3402	Date Prepared:	02/06/2003

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2. Narrative: Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.

If enacted, HB 1327 would provide corporate income tax exemptions to new businesses locating in towns with populations at or below 2,000. It is uncertain how many new businesses would locate in small towns so the fiscal impact cannot be determined.

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Date: 2-4-03
Roll Call Vote #:

2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1327

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Module No: HR-22-1703 Carrier: S. Kelsh Insert LC: 30341.0101 Title: .0200

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1327: Finance and Taxation Committee (Rep. Belter, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO NOT PASS (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1327 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 7, replace "the net" with "North Dakota taxable", replace "from" with "attributable to", and replace "established" with "operating"

Page 1, line 8, remove "after June 30, 2003,"

Page 1, line 12, remove "For"

Page 1, remove line 13

Page 1, line 14, remove "qualifying location."

Page 1, line 16, replace "must be reduced by seventy-five" with "is twenty-five" and after "percent" insert "of taxable income"

Page 1, line 17, replace "by" with "is" and after "percent" insert "of taxable income"

Page 1, line 18, replace "by twenty-five" with "is seventy-five" and after "percent" insert "of taxable income"

Page 1, line 19, after the period insert "A corporation granted a new and expanding business exemption under chapter 40-57.1 is not entitled to the reduction under this subdivision."

Renumber accordingly

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