

**HOUSE JOURNAL**  
**SEVENTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**STATE OF COLORADO**  
**First Extraordinary Session**

First Legislative Day

Monday, October 2, 2017

1 The hour of 10:00 a.m. having arrived, the House of Representatives of  
2 the First Extraordinary Session of the 71st General Assembly of the State  
3 of Colorado, pursuant to law, was called to order by Crisanta Duran,  
4 Speaker of the House.

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6 Prayer by Father Tom Cwik, St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church,  
7 Denver.

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9 Pledge of Allegiance led by Eunsul Kim, University of Colorado Denver.

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11 The roll was called with the following result:

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13 Present--63.  
14 Excused--Representative(s) Rosenthal, Salazar--2.  
15 Present after roll call--Representative(s) Rosenthal.

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17 The Speaker declared a quorum present.

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**STATE OF COLORADO**  
**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**  
**CERTIFICATE**

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25 I, WAYNE WILLIAMS, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do  
26 hereby certify that the attached is a true and exact copy of the document  
27 filed in this office and admitted to record in:

28 D2017-023

29 Executive Order

30 "PROCLAMATION

31 CALL FOR THE FIRST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE  
32 SEVENTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY"

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34 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have unto set my hand and affixed the  
35 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City Of Denver this 18th day  
36 of September, 2017.

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38 (signed)

39 Wayne Williams

40 Secretary of State

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D2017-023  
EXECUTIVE ORDER  
PROCLAMATION

Call for the First Extraordinary Session  
of the Seventy-First General Assembly

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Governor of the State of Colorado, and in particular, pursuant to powers vested in the Governor pursuant to article IV, section 9 of the Colorado Constitution, and as recognized in article V, section 7.1, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby find that the following extraordinary occasion exists to convene the Seventy-First General Assembly to meet in special session.

I. Background

In the 2017 legislative session, the General Assembly enacted Senate Bill 17-267 (Concerning the Sustainability of Rural Colorado). One of the bill's provisions consolidated two distinct taxes on retail marijuana sales into a single tax. In accomplishing this efficiency, however Senate Bill 17-267 inadvertently exempted certain special districts and other limited purpose governmental entities from levying sales tax on retail marijuana sales. As a result this inadvertent exemption, greater complexity and a lack of clarity now exist in the State's sales tax code, and certain special districts' and other limited purpose governmental entities' ability to provide services to their constituents is weakened.

We have had extensive conversations with Senate Bill 17-267 sponsors, interested stakeholders, and General Assembly leadership to identify how to minimize harms to impacted special districts, other limited purpose governmental entities, and the constituents; and achieve greater clarity and efficiency in the State's tax code. A special session is the most expedient way to advance these interests.

This proclamation does not prescribe the specific form that legislation introduced in the special session shall take; rather, it defines the appropriate subject matter for legislative consideration. The following section describes the purpose and need for the special session.

II. Purpose and Need

Senate Bill 17-267, enacted during the 2017 regular session of the Seventy-First General Assembly, was robust and historic legislation that will contribute greatly to the strength of Colorado's rural communities. Legislation of such complexity and magnitude often requires adjustments in subsequent legislative sessions to ensure the General Assembly's intent is honored and to address unforeseen and unintended consequences.

One component of Senate Bill 17-267 exempted retail marijuana sales from the State's 2.9 percent general sales tax, but increased the rate of the special retail marijuana sales tax from 10 percent to 15 percent. In consolidating these two sales taxes, however, Senate Bill 17-267 inadvertently eliminated certain special districts' and other limited purpose governmental entities' ability to levy sales tax on retail marijuana

1 sales. Consequently, those entities have experienced, and will continue  
2 to experience, reductions in revenue that jeopardize their ability to  
3 provide services to their constituents. These revenue reductions are not  
4 the result of market or economic forces, but are instead the result of the  
5 aforementioned exclusion inadvertently included in Senate Bill 17-267.  
6 As such, a correction is needed to ensure services are not unintentionally  
7 diminished.

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9 We communicated with the sponsors of Senate Bill 17-267 and House  
10 and Senate leadership. All affirm that this result was an unintentional  
11 error in need of correction. Therefore, the General Assembly should  
12 consider taking legislative action to enact a law clarifying that certain  
13 special districts and other limited purpose governmental entities are  
14 authorized to levy a sales tax on retail marijuana sales.

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16 III. Proclamation

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18 I, John W. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Colorado, with  
19 this proclamation find extraordinary occasions exist to convene the  
20 Seventy-First General Assembly of this State and summon the members  
21 of the Seventy-First General Assembly to meet in special session at 10:00  
22 A.M. on October 2, 2017, at the State Capitol, in the City and County of  
23 Denver, and designate the following specific subject for consideration  
24 and appropriate legislative action:

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26 A. Concerning the clarification of statutory provisions, enacted in  
27 Senate Bill 17-267, to codify that retail marijuana sales are subject  
28 to sales taxes levied by certain special districts and other limited  
29 purpose governmental entities.

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31 GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado  
32 this fourteenth day of September, 2017

33 (signed)  
34 John W. Hickenlooper  
35 Governor

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38 On motion of Representative KC Becker, the Speaker appointed  
39 Representatives Winter, Chair, Michaelson Jenet, and Ransom to notify  
40 the Senate that the House was organized and ready for business.

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44 On motion of Representative KC Becker, the speaker appointed  
45 Representatives Mitsch Bush, Chair, Gray, and Everett to notify the  
46 Governor that the House was organized and ready for business.

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House in recess.

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52 The Speakr recognized a committee from the Senate. Senators  
53 Baumgardner, Priola, and Williams reported that the Senate was  
54 organized and ready for business.

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House reconvened.

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Representative Winter, Chair of the Committee to Notify the Senate, reported that the Senate had been notified that the House was organized and ready for business.

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Representative Mitsch Bush, Chair of the Committee to Notify the Governor, reported that the Governor had been notified that the House was organized and ready for business.

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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Speaker announced the House was in the last three days of session. The Majority Leader announced all bills coming out of committee will be placed on the Second Reading calendar and given immediate consideration.

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**PRINTING REPORT**

The Chief Clerk reports the following bill has been correctly preprinted: **HB17B-1001**.

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**INTRODUCTION OF BILL  
First Reading**

The following bill was read by title and referred to the committee indicated:

**HB17B-1001** by Representative(s) Becker K., Pabon, Kennedy, Herod, Buckner, Hooton, Michaelson Jenet, Benavidez, Weissman; also Senator(s) Donovan--Concerning clarification that retail marijuana sales are subject to sales taxes levied by certain limited purpose governmental entities.  
Committee on Finance

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House in recess. House reconvened.

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**REPORT(S) OF COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE**

**FINANCE**

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

**HB17B-1001** be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation.

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1 On motion of Representative Foote, the House resolved itself into  
2 Committee of the Whole for consideration of General Orders, and he was  
3 called to act as Chair.

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6 **GENERAL ORDERS--SECOND READING OF BILLS**

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8 The Committee of the Whole having risen, the Chair reported the titles  
9 of the following bills had been read (reading at length had been  
10 dispensed with by unanimous consent), the bills considered and action  
11 taken thereon as follows:

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13 (Amendments to the committee amendment are to the printed committee  
14 report which was printed and placed in the members' bill file.)

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18 Weissman; also Senator(s) Donovan--Concerning  
19 clarification that retail marijuana sales are subject to sales  
20 taxes levied by certain limited purpose governmental  
21 entities.

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24 Final Passage.

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27 **ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT**

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29 Passed Second Reading: **HB17B-1001**.

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31 The Chairman moved the adoption of the Committee of the Whole  
32 Report. As shown by the following roll call vote, a majority of those  
33 elected to the House voted in the affirmative, and the Report was  
34 **adopted**.

	YES	37	NO	24	EXCUSED	4	ABSENT	0
37	Arndt	Y	Foote	Y	Leonard	N	Ransom	N
38	Becker J.	N	Garnett	Y	Lewis	N	Rosenthal	Y
39	Becker K.	Y	Ginal	Y	Liston	N	Saine	N
40	Beckman	N	Gray	Y	Lontine	Y	Salazar	E
41	Benavidez	Y	Hamner	Y	Lundeen	N	Sias	N
42	Bridges	Y	Hansen	Y	McKean	N	Singer	Y
43	Buck	N	Herod	Y	McLachlan	Y	Thurlow	Y
44	Buckner	Y	Hooton	Y	Melton	Y	Valdez	Y
45	Carver	N	Humphrey	N	Michaelson Jenet	Y	Van Winkle	N
46	Catlin	E	Jackson	Y	Mitsch Bush	Y	Weissman	Y
47	Coleman	Y	Kennedy	Y	Navarro	N	Willett	N
48	Covarrubias	N	Kraft-Tharp	Y	Neville P.	N	Williams D.	N
49	Danielson	Y	Landgraf	N	Nordberg	N	Wilson	N
50	Esgar	Y	Lawrence	E	Pabon	Y	Winter	Y
51	Everett	E	Lebsock	Y	Pettersen	Y	Wist	N
52	Exum	Y	Lee	Y	Rankin	N	Young	Y
53							Speaker	Y

1 On motion of Representative KC Becker, the House adjourned until  
2 9:00 a.m., October 3, 2017.

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Approved:  
CRISANTA DURAN,  
Speaker

Attest:

MARILYN EDDINS,

Chief Clerk

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Second Legislative Day

Tuesday, October 3, 2017

1 Prayer by the Reverend Dr. Kay Marsh, Retired, First United Methodist  
2 Church, Longmont.

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4 The Speaker called the House to order at 9:00 a.m.

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6 Pledge of Allegiance led by Emily Manderscheid, Metropolitan State  
7 University, Denver.

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9 The roll was called with the following result:

10  
11 Present--61.  
12 Excused--Representative(s) Catlin, Hooton, Salazar, Sias--4.  
13 Present after roll call--Representative(s) Hooton.

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15 The Speaker declared a quorum present.

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19 On motion of Representative Weissman, the reading of the journal of  
20 October 2, 2017, was declared dispensed with and approved as corrected  
21 by the Chief Clerk.

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26 **THIRD READING OF BILL(S)--FINAL PASSAGE**

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28 The following bill(s) was considered on Third Reading. The title(s) was  
29 publicly read. Reading of the bill at length was dispensed with by  
30 unanimous consent.

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35 clarification that retail marijuana sales are subject to sales  
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37 entities.

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39 The question being "Shall the bill pass?".  
40 A roll call vote was taken. As shown by the following recorded vote, a  
41 majority of those elected to the House voted in the affirmative and the  
42 bill was declared **passed**.

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	YES	37	NO	25	EXCUSED	3	ABSENT	0
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2	Arndt	Y	Foote	Y	Leonard	N	Ransom	N
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4	Becker K.	Y	Ginal	Y	Liston	N	Saine	N
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19 Co-sponsor(s) added: Representative(s) Coleman, Foote, Gray, Hamner,  
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 30 the following resolution was given immediate consideration.

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