THE 2021 NEVADA LEGISLATIVE SESSION: A SNEAK PEEK BEHIND THE WEIRD

Tray Abney, Partner

Abney Tauchen Group

Lindsay Knox, Vice President

McDonald Carano



PRE-SESSION PROMISES

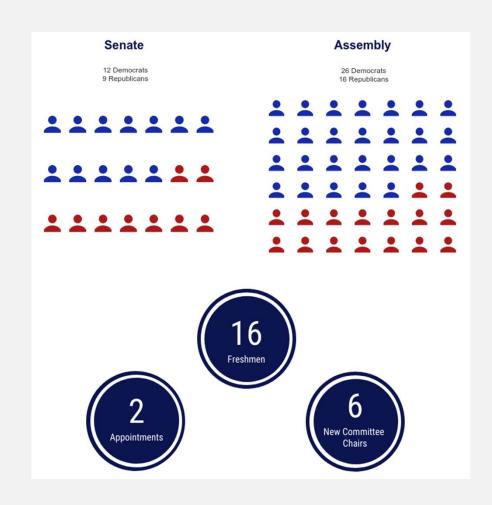
 Fiscal Session/COVID Budget

No time for major policy discussions



ENVIRONMENT/LAY OF THE LAND

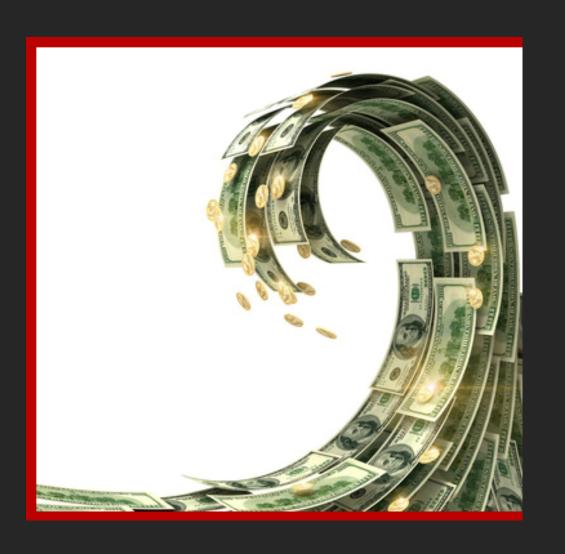
- Assembly, Senate, Governor's Mansion controlled by one party
- Lobbyists not allowed in the lobby
- Difficulty communicating with legislators
- Two-minute testimony over the phone



"NO TIME FOR MAJOR POLICY DISCUSSIONS"

- Public option
- Comprehensive energy bill
- Mining tax
- Election reform
- "Ghost" guns and covered premises gun bills
- Innovation zones
- "Right" to return back to your job
- Death penalty
- Consumption lounges





INCREASED REVENUE AND BIDEN BUCKS

- \$9 billion budget
- \$2.7 billion in federal stimulus dollars
- Plus millions more to local governments, school districts, and NSHE
- Mining Tax increase brings in almost \$200 million in new taxes, totals \$500 million in new and redirected taxes to education

LOOKING FORWARD



- Fall Special Session-redistricting
 - 4 Congressional Seats
 - All 63 Legislative Seats
 - County Commissions and City Councils have their own process
- Elections in 2022:
 - 11 Senate seats on ballot (6D-5R)
 - 4 Senators termed-out
 - All 42 Assembly seats on ballot
 - 3 Assembly members termed-out
 - Some will choose not to return
 - All 6 Constitutional Officers on ballot

WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2023

- Impact of term limits on institutional knowledge
- Potential shakeup in leadership
- More power to the south
- More of a national agenda from outside groups



THANK YOU!

Tray Abney

tray@abneytauchen.com

775-443-5561

Lindsay Knox

<u>lindsay.knox@mcdonaldcarano.com</u>

775-721-8175