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TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION REGARDING SB 1496, SD 1 RELATING TO ENTERPRISE ZONES

TESTIFIER:

FREDERICK D. PABLO, DIRECTOR OF TAXATION (OR

DESIGNEE)

COMMITTEE:

ERB

DATE:

MARCH 22, 2011

TIME:

8:00AM

POSITION:

NO POSITION

This bill would include within the definition of "eligible business activity," the development and operation of certain space exploration activities.

The Department of Taxation (Department) takes no position on this measure.

The revenue loss is estimated to be approximately \$450,000 per year when the project becomes operational. Qualified companies in the State's enterprise zones received about \$1.5 million in tax credits in 2006. It is assumed that this proposal would expand enterprise zone activities by 30% (\$1.5 million * 30% = \$450,000).