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Senate Committee of the Whole to Hear IP 1 *NSEA Hopeful Room Tax Question Will Pass Out of Senate*

NSEA has learned the Senate will meet as a Committee of the Whole Monday, March 9, at which point they will vote on whether to pass the room tax initiative—IP 1. Passage of IP 1 would generate an additional \$230 million in education funding.

Moved by the will of the 130,000 people who signed the petition, the Governor included in his budget the revenue the initiative would raise, and last week, in a greatly-bipartisan manner, the Nevada State Assembly passed IP 1.

The Nevada Constitution allows the Legislature 40 days to pass the IP or it will go on the General Election Ballot in 2010, where approval of the measure is almost guaranteed. Nevada's Senators have until March 13 to pass IP 1. If they don't, they pass up an opportunity to ratify a revenue source in the executive budget and will be responsible for finding an additional \$230 million this biennium.

It is extremely important that you contact your Senator today. Go to www.nsea-nv.org and click on the SAY NO TO EDUCATION CUTS graphic. This will take you directly to talking points and an easy way to directly contact your Senator.

Please ACT today!

Capitol Watch

Did you know you can stay connected to what is going on in Carson City by watching a video? NSEA President Lynn Warne records a message to update you on the week's happenings in Carson City.

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