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2017 Major Investors

Investment completed as of April 13, 2017. Pledges listed for those who have invested at least \$300 as of the above date.

Platinum R (\$10,000+)

Jack Woodcock

Golden R (\$5,000+)

Nancy Anderson
Diane Brown
Ken Gragson
Heidi Kasama
Keith Lynam
George Peek

years prior to the 2015 session).

There was significant feedback from various industries at the April 11 hearing in Assembly Judiciary, both in support and in opposition of the bill. NVAR opposes this bill.

Escrow Savings Account for Housing Project Tenants

[SB417](#) would require local housing authorities and the Nevada Rural Housing Authority to establish a program to create escrow accounts for tenants in housing projects in which tenants could deposit money that would not be considered income for the purpose of determining the tenants' eligibility to remain a tenant in the housing project. The tenants would be authorized to access the money only to purchase a residence or establish a business.

NVAR is monitoring this bill. It was heard in Senate Government Affairs on April 12.

Flood Control Projects Needs Committee

[AB375](#) would allow a flood management authority to establish a flood control project needs committee very similar to the public schools overcrowding and repair needs committee established in 2015 with [SB411](#).

This committee would recommend the imposition of certain taxes for consideration by the voters at the 2018 General Election to fund flood management projects. The committee's recommendations would have to specify the rate of each recommended tax as well as the period for which the recommended tax would be imposed. It would then be up to the voters to vote for or against the recommendation. There would be a member of the Nevada Association of REALTORS® appointed to the committee.

NVAR supports this measure. It passed out of Assembly Taxation on April 13.

2017 SESSION BY THE NUMBERS

The 79th Session of the Nevada Legislature began on February 6, 2017, and will adjourn sine die on June 6, 2017.

BILLS

# of BDRs	1164
# of Senate Bills	542
# of Assembly Bills	518

Devin Reiss
Linda Rheinberger
Mark Stark

Crystal R (\$2,500+)

Tom Blanchard
Rosa Herwick
Charles Kitchen
Buck Schaeffel
Chantel Tilley (pledge)
Melissa Zimbelman

Sterling R (\$1,000+)

Forrest Barbee (pledge)
Lee Barrett (pledge)
Scott Beaudry (pledge)
Chris Bishop (pledge)
Becky Blankenburg
Steve Bohler
Paul Bottari
Joe Brezny
Edee Campbell (pledge)
Janet Carpenter
Sherrie Cartinella
Betty Chan
Christina Cova-Simmons (pledge)
Cheryl Delahanty
Amber DeLillo
Todd Disbrow
Wendy DiVecchio
Kellie Flodman
Ernie Freggiaro
John Graham
Bob Hamrick
Azim Jessa
Soozi Jones-Walker
Keith Kelley (pledge)
Joan Kuptz
Tim Kuptz
Kris Layman
Greg Martin
Penny Mayer
Doug McIntyre
Teresa McKee
Theresa Meyer
Bobbi Miracle
Cassandra Mor
Carol Murphy
Debbie Primack
Bill Process (pledge)
Pam Reese
Tedd Rosenstein
Kellie Rubin
Neil Schwartz
Sandee Smith (pledge)
Lillian Spencer

DEADLINES

3/20	Bill Introductions by Legislators (204)
3/27	Bill Introductions by Committees (180)
4/14	First House Committee Passage
4/25	First House Passage
5/1	Economic Forum
5/19	Second House Committee Passage
5/2	Second House Passage
6/5	Sine Die

Brad Spires
Dave Tina, Jr.
Dave Tina Sr.
Sandy Wakefield
Cherie Williams (pledge)
Judie Woods
Julie Youngblood
Zar Zanganeh
Kamyar Zargari

Association Corporate Investors

NVAR - Platinum R
GLVAR - Platinum R

RSAR - Crystal R
SNAR - Crystal R
SNCCIM - Crystal R

ECAR - Sterling R
IVBOR - Sterling R

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