

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1426

Introduced by Assembly Member Pringle

February 24, 1995

An act to amend Section 11251 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1426, as introduced, Pringle. Private railroad car tax: assessed value.

Under the Private Railroad Car Tax Law, the State Board of Equalization assesses and taxes private railroad cars operated upon railroads in this state at their full cash value, as specified.

This bill would define "full cash value" for purposes of that law as either (1) in the case of a car in existence on or before January 1, 1996, its value as shown on the board's records for the 1995–96 fiscal year, or (2) for any new car purchased on or after January 1, 1996, its purchase price. The bill would also provide that for any assessment year commencing after January 1, 1996, the full cash value shall be adjusted by the percentage change in the wholesale price index for all industrial commodities for the preceding year, as specified.

This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11251 of the Revenue and
2 Taxation Code is amended to read:

3 11251. (a) Private railroad cars operated upon
4 railroads into, out of, or through this state shall be assessed
5 by the board at their full *cash* value, and taxed as
6 prescribed in this part.

7 (b) *“Full cash value” means either of the following:*

8 (1) *In the case of a car in existence on or before*
9 *January 1, 1996, its value as shown on the board’s records*
10 *for the 1995–96 fiscal year.*

11 (2) *For any new car purchased on or after January 1,*
12 *1996, its purchase price.*

13 (c) *For any assessment year commencing after*
14 *January 1, 1996, the full cash value shall be adjusted by the*
15 *percentage change from December of the prior fiscal*
16 *year to December of the current fiscal year in the*
17 *wholesale price index for all industrial commodities.*

18 SEC. 2. This act provides for a tax levy within the
19 meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into
20 immediate effect.

