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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND UTILITIES

The meeting was called to order by Sen. Bill Morris at
Chairperson

9:00 a.m./p.~~xxx~~ on March 9, 19 88 in room 254-E of the Capitol.

All members were present ~~except~~.

Committee staff present:

Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Ben Barrett, Legislative Research Department
Tom Severn, Legislative Research Department
Robin Hunn, Legislative Research Department
Bruce Kinzie, Revisor of Statutes
Louise Cunningham, Committee Sec.
Conferees appearing before the committee:

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the highway program. Tom Severn distributed a map showing the state gasoline taxes as of March 1, 1988 from the Commerce Clearing House. A copy is attached. (Attachment 1).

There were questions regarding the registration fees and whether some of these rates included a sales tax as a part of the fuel tax. Also, some may have local taxes added. Staff was requested to bring in this information.

The committee discussed whether to set definite routes or to leave it up to the expertise of the consultants in the Transportation Department. The legislature could give them the guidelines. The Task Force got into trouble because it became costly when everyone wanted something for their area. Some committee members felt we should be honest and tell the public that nothing will be done this session but something has to be done next year and the public should be educated to this fact.

Others felt that people in southeast Kansas have been promised something for over twenty years and nothing happens. Some felt that we are letting Missouri determine our highway program.

Some members thought that rural communities pay too much and receive little in return.

There was discussion on whether a sales tax should be the way to pay for a part of the highways. The committee also discussed establishing a Highway Commission.

The Chairman asked the committee if they wished to do something this year or wait until next year. He said they should think about it and it would be brought up in a future meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

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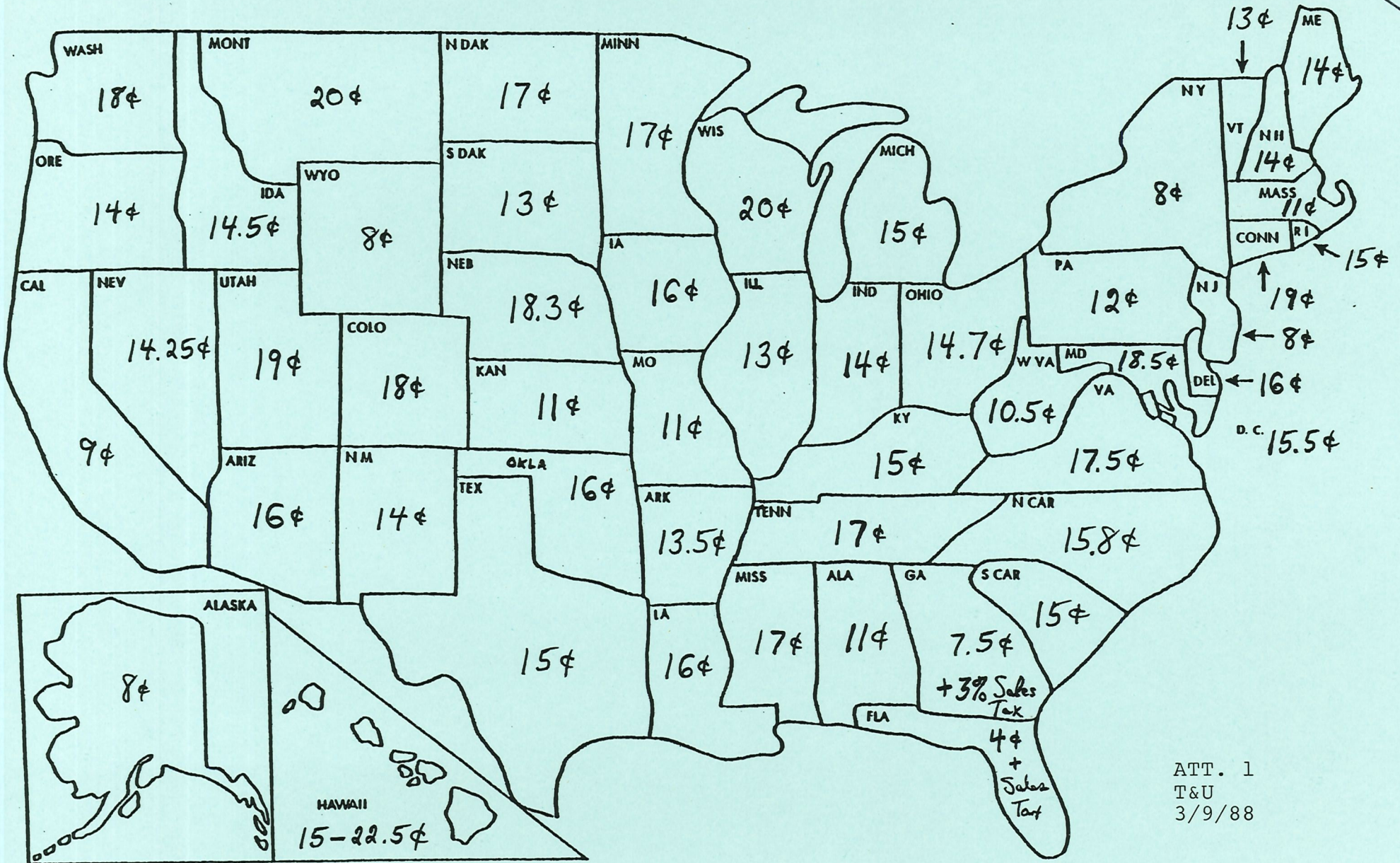
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