

Memorandum

To: Honorable Malia M. Cohen, Chair
Honorable Antonio Vazquez, Vice Chair
Honorable Ted Gains, First District
Honorable Mike Schaefer, Fourth District
Honorable Betty T. Yee, State Controller

Date: June 27, 2019

From: Mark Durham, Chief
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**Subject: PRIVATE RAILROAD CAR TAX RATE
JULY 2019 – BOARD MEETING**

The attached table shows the 2018-19 average tax rate applicable to 2019-20 private railroad car tax assessments. The average rate of taxation throughout the state for 2018-19 was 1.151 percent, as computed under the provisions of Section 11403 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

The report on computation of the tax rate indicates a rate for the 2019-20 private railroad car tax of 1.151 percent.

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Attachment

cc: (All with attachment)
Mr. David Yeung
Mr. Henry Nanjo

Recommendation by:

Approved:

/s/ Mark Durham

/s/ Brenda Fleming

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**COMPUTATION OF THE TAX RATE APPLICABLE TO
2019-20 PRIVATE RAILROAD CAR TAX ASSESSMENTS**
(Assessed Values and Levies in Thousands of Dollars)

Counties	Net Taxable Assessed Value	Total Levies	Non-total Property Levies ¹	Levies on Total Property	Average Tax Rate
Alameda	\$ 291,584,052	\$ 3,620,011	\$ -	\$ 3,620,011	1.241 %
Alpine	753,072	7,532	-	7,532	1.000
Amador	5,317,153	54,006	-	54,006	1.016
Butte	23,284,221	259,542	137	259,405	1.114
Calaveras	7,297,573	80,125	-	80,125	1.098
Colusa	4,076,114	44,783	-	44,783	1.099
Contra Costa	207,317,373	2,381,568	758	2,380,810	1.148
Del Norte	1,857,462	19,514	-	19,514	1.051
El Dorado	33,480,321	355,981	-	355,981	1.063
Fresno	81,738,201	965,084	-	965,084	1.181
Glenn	3,310,027	35,884	-	35,884	1.084
Humboldt	13,870,459	151,611	-	151,611	1.093
Imperial	12,264,446	148,125	-	148,125	1.208
Inyo	4,642,511	49,253	-	49,253	1.061
Kern	89,360,740	1,107,975	-	1,107,975	1.240
Kings	11,100,761	120,690	-	120,690	1.087
Lake	7,164,525	79,588	-	79,588	1.111
Lassen	2,343,284	24,016	-	24,016	1.025
Los Angeles	1,513,553,599	17,884,719	4,302	17,880,417	1.181
Madera	14,913,377	162,401	-	162,401	1.089
Marin	78,831,205	909,659	-	909,659	1.154
Mariposa	2,424,021	25,245	-	25,245	1.041
Mendocino	12,086,264	136,231	-	136,231	1.127
Merced	24,580,694	267,534	-	267,534	1.088
Modoc	1,003,632	10,036	-	10,036	1.000
Mono	6,130,608	70,027	-	70,027	1.142
Monterey	67,379,614	740,516	-	740,516	1.099
Napa	39,515,417	441,944	517	441,427	1.117
Nevada	19,529,852	209,351	-	209,351	1.072
Orange	596,317,790	6,379,939	32,845	6,347,094	1.064
Placer	76,731,164	831,209	-	831,209	1.083
Plumas	4,338,490	47,241	-	47,241	1.089
Riverside	283,112,649	3,314,831	18,687	3,296,144	1.164
Sacramento	161,107,585	1,847,996	-	1,847,996	1.147
San Benito	8,551,047	103,448	8,689	94,759	1.108
San Bernardino	227,709,111	2,643,194	39,181	2,604,013	1.144
San Diego	522,649,858	5,970,650	-	5,970,650	1.142
San Francisco	259,243,174	3,017,949	-	3,017,949	1.164
San Joaquin	75,607,299	865,433	-	865,433	1.145
San Luis Obispo	56,159,730	620,183	-	620,183	1.104
San Mateo	222,619,978	2,476,540	-	2,476,540	1.112
Santa Barbara	83,342,402	898,539	910	897,629	1.077
Santa Clara	485,233,862	5,855,560	-	5,855,560	1.207
Santa Cruz	45,987,853	506,963	-	506,963	1.102
Shasta	18,487,626	205,389	1,979	203,410	1.100
Sierra	583,597	5,836	-	5,836	1.000
Siskiyou	4,955,027	52,292	-	52,292	1.055
Solano	54,446,530	649,880	-	649,880	1.194
Sonoma	89,896,409	1,045,789	74	1,045,715	1.163
Stanislaus	49,605,276	546,916	-	546,916	1.103
Sutter	9,907,953	108,941	-	108,941	1.100
Tehama	5,767,737	60,267	-	60,267	1.045
Trinity	1,670,899	17,162	-	17,162	1.027
Tulare	36,070,906	401,564	80	401,484	1.113
Tuolumne	7,492,677	80,237	-	80,237	1.071
Ventura	135,745,917	1,499,604	2,285	1,497,319	1.103
Yolo	27,912,060	298,939	-	298,939	1.071
Yuba	6,011,147	67,149	-	67,149	1.117
TOTAL	\$ 6,137,976,333	\$ 70,782,591	\$ 110,444	\$ 70,672,147	1.151 %

1. Non-total property levies are special district voter-approved tax levies that can include special taxes on intangibles, aircraft, baled cotton, special assessments, or any other property which is subject to a uniform statewide tax rate.

Overview of the Private Railroad Car Tax Rate

California Board of Equalization
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Sacramento, CA



Private Railroad Car Tax

What, who and how?

What is the Private Railroad Car Tax (PRCT)?

- The PRCT is a property tax on railroad cars owned by non-railroad companies and operated upon California railroads.
- The tax paid is based on the number of days the cars were physically in the state.
- The PRCT rate is applied to the assessed value of the cars to calculate the tax.

Who pays the tax?

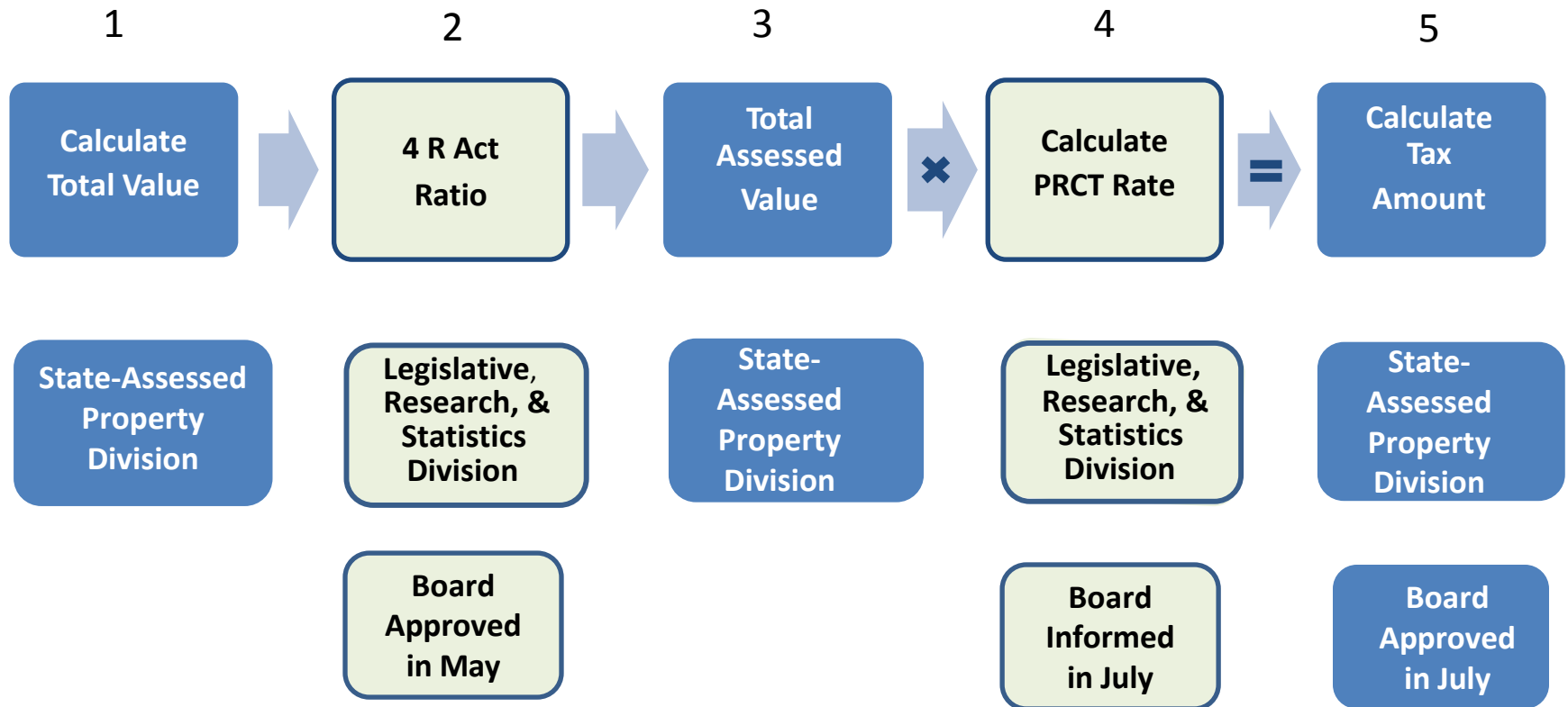
- Private Railroad Car owners pay the tax.

How is the tax used?

- Private Railroad Car tax is a state tax.
- The tax is administered and collected by the BOE. The tax revenue goes to the state's General Fund.

Private Railroad Car Tax

Calculating the amount of tax



The calculation is a collaborative effort between SAPD and LRSD.

Private Railroad Car Tax

Total assessed values and taxes over the years

Year	Equivalent # of Cars	Total Full Value Per R&T Code Sec 11292	4-R Act Ratio	Total Assessed Value	PRCT Rate	Amount of Tax
2014	28,917	\$1,056M	76.38%	\$807M	1.106%	\$8.9M
2015	30,854	\$1,168M	74.11%	\$866M	1.141%	\$9.9M
2016	28,887	\$1,185M	66.90%	\$793M	1.140%	\$9.0M
2017	30,492	\$1,316M	64.17%	\$845M	1.141%	\$9.6M
2018	32,363	\$1,425M	60.73%	\$865M	1.149%	\$9.9M
2019	*	*	60.86%	*	1.151%	*

**State-Assessed Properties Division presents these items for Board Approval in July.*