TAXATION COMMITTEE 45TH LEGISLATURE

The House Taxation Committee was called to order in executive session at 8:00 a.m., March 15, 1977, by Rep. Herb Huennekens, Chairman. All committee members were present.

HOUSE BILL 630, as proposed to be amended, sponsored by Harrison Fagg, was considered at length. The reading copy was explained by him and the committee made the following recommendations:

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Rep. Fabrega moved that following the petition, there will be 630 an election which can be held either at the next regular or a special election which will decide if a plan should be made and application for funds requested. Motion was adopted unanimously.

On page 10, line 16 of the reading copy of HB 630, Rep. Fagg moved following "that"; strike "is already planned"; insert "has already adopted a comprehensive master plan". However, the governing body shall be decisive in the plan adopted. This was acceptable.

Rep. Severson moved that the proposed plan must be submitted to the voters of the area in an election. Page 17, line 5, following "jurisdiction"; strike "shall"; insert "may". An election is to be mandated before final adoption of the plan. There were no Noes.

Rep. Bertelsen moved that on page 29, line $13\frac{1}{2}$, following "body"; insert: "or". Heat loss or gain norms are to be established by the department of administration, and the savings verified by the same office.

Ianguage stricken on page 40, line 3, "is usable and adaptable for" be reinserted and "may be adapted to" stricken.

The local governing bodies are to be advised and their input considered by the administering agency. Page 41, line 17, following "shall"; strike "consult with and insert: "advise all and consider input from local governing bodies."

Rep. Mel Williams moved that the amendments as considered be adopted. Motion was adopted unanimously. Reps. Dassinger and O'Keefe were absent.

Rep. Fagg moved that Terry Cohea, researcher, clearly define "counties" as being that area of land outside municipalities, and that a further provision be made to extend city planning to the $4\frac{1}{2}$ mile limit. Planning recommendations are to be voted on for counties by county people, and city people will vote on city lands. The act is to be amended to clearly define the fact that the county vote shall concern lands not within the incorporated cities. There were no Noes.

Rep. Severson moved to define Prime Agricultural lands as they are defined by the Soil Conservation Service as Class 1. Rep. Fagg made a substitute motion to include Class 2. Substitute motion carried with Reps. Dassinger, Williams, Fabrega, Gilligan absent - Rep. Severson voted No - all others voted Yes.

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Rep. Severson moved that Rep. Burnett's amendments to HB 630 be adopted. This motion failed.

Rep. Fagg moved that MELDA AS AMENDED be adopted.

Rep. O'Keefe moved that an amendment stating that a variance be allowed for land that is not marketable because of local conditions by the local governing body to show that lands be granted variances in accordance with established standards for that area - this would be in order to make the land more marketable. On line 16 after "developed" insert: "in cases where a vacant lot cannot be sold because of the tax penalty, that this bill applies to vacant lots the governing body may allow the use of that land in accordance with established neighborhood patterns". There were no Noes.

Motion that MELDA AS AMENDED be adopted carried by a 16 to 1 vote. Rep. Severson voted No.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

REP. HERB HUENNEKENS, CHAIRMAN

Josephine Lahti, Secretary