

TAXATION COMMITTEE
45TH LEGISLATURE

Representative Herb Huennekens, Chairman of the Taxation committee called the committee to order in executive session at 8:00 a.m., March 27, 1977, in room #434, Capitol Building, Helena. All members were present.

This meeting was to discuss amendments some members felt were not understood in previous consideration of HB 630. A great deal of discussion was had with regard to land classification.

Rep. Sivertsen moved that the language after the petition has been filed by 15% of the voters, be deleted. A vote-in motion is to be made to amend in accord with the wordage that Terry Cohea gave the committee was to be inserted.

Amendments pertaining to sections (D) and (F) were adopted by all members except Rep. Dassinger.

Rep. Fabrega moved two amendments - unless 15% of the registered voters in that locality present a petition asking for that election is made... Motion was unanimously adopted.

Rep. Severson moved to insert (E) with the amendment including and adding an amendment which will in essence strike page 25, lines 15-19. Motion was withdrawn.

Rep. Waldron advised it is hard to hold an election because precinct lines are not the same as the suburban band. Annexation route must be used in this section.

Rep. Fabrega advised annexation speaks only of a very small area. He thinks the petition route is a much more efficient route to this than by election. The petition is to be signed by 51% of the resident freeholders residing within the area of the suburban band may petition.

Rep. Fabrega moved any decision of the county governing body may be overturned by a petition signed by 51% of the resident freeholders in the proposed area. Motion was unanimously adopted.

Discussion of the qualifications of a certified planner were discussed at length. Rep. Underdal proposed striking following "AGENCY" on line 3 through A"AGENCY" on line 5, page 14.

Rep. Fabrega made a substitute motion that on page 13, line 25, leave the present wording that is in the bill, and on page 14, line 3, after "AGENCY" insert a ".", and strike the material through line 5 "ADMINISTERING AGENCY" and leave the remaining material as is.

Rep. Waldron made a substitute motion for all motions pending to strike "ADMINISTERING AGENCY" and insert "local governing body". Motion carried - 8-6; Dassinger and Uhde were absent.

Rep. Williams suggested striking "CERTIFIED" on line 4 and inserting "approved". No action on this motion.

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HOUSE BILL 482 - Rep. Fabrega moved that HB 482 be recommended DO PASS. Rep. Lien moved the committee approve Committee of the Whole amendments. Motion carried - Rep. Waldron voted No; Reps. Dassinger, Uhde, Gilligan were absent. Original motion was changed to DO PASS AS AMENDED. Motion carried; Rep. Bertelsen and Rep. Sivertsen voted No.

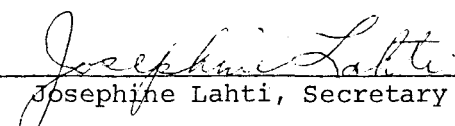
Rep. O'Keefe moved to make loans at no more than 2 1/2 "percentage points" in excess of the interest required to be paid for a loan. Motion carried unanimously with Reps. Dassinger, Gilligan and Uhde absent.

Rep. Fabrega moved that on page 11, lines 2, 3, 4, that 10% of the coal tax trust fund be invested. Unanimously adopted - Reps. Dassinger, Gilligan, Uhde were absent.

Rep. Waldron made a substitute motion that HOUSE BILL 754 AS AMENDED DO PASS. Motion carried 9 to 6 in favor. Rep. Dassinger and Rep. Uhde were absent.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.


REP. HERB HUENNEKENS, CHAIRMAN


Josephine Lahti, Secretary

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