

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE SENATE

MARCH 26, 1986

The second meeting of the Local Government Committee of the 49th Legislature, Second Special Session, was called to order by Chairman Dave Fuller on Wednesday, March 26, 1986 in Room 405 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All members of the committee were present with the exception of Senator Crippen who was excused and Senator McCallum who was absent. Karen Renne, staff researcher, was also present.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL 4: Representative Paul Pistoria of House District 36, the chief sponsor of House Bill 4, gave a summary of the bill. This bill is an act to provide that a special election for the election of new officials to implement a change in the form of a local government may be held on a regularly scheduled primary and general election date, and providing an immediate effective date.

Representative Pistoria stated that HB 4 deals with city and county study commissions elections. This does not change the first section of the law at all. All it does is change the time the election can be held. In Cascade County alone, \$60,000 could be saved by changing the law. HB 4 would save money and get more people out to vote in the study commission elections. The effective date would allow it to be used this year.

Senator Gene Thayer of Great Falls spoke in support of the bill. He stated that if this bill were to pass the committee, he would carry the bill on the floor of the Senate.

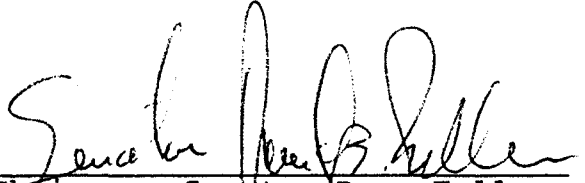
With no further proponents, the chairman called for opponents. Hearing none, the meeting was opened to a question and answer period from the committee.

Senator Story asked the staff researcher, Karen Renne, if she felt the bill needed to be amended. Karen stated that she had checked, and the bill is fine in the present form.

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ACTION ON HOUSE BILL 4: A motion was made by Senator
Ethel Harding that HB 4 BE CONCURRED IN. Motion carried
unanimously.

ADJOURN: With no further business the meeting was adjourned.


Chairman, Senator Dave Fuller

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ROLL CALL

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COMMITTEE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
DAVE FULLER	✓		
JOHN MOHAR	✓		
BRUCE CRIPPEN			✓
DOROTHY ECK	✓		
ETHEL HARDING	✓		
LES HIRSCH	✓		
GEORGE MC CALLUM		✓	
DICK PINSONEAULT	✓		
PAT REGAN	✓		
PETE STORY	✓		

Each day attach to minutes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 26, 1986

MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on Local Government

having had under consideration House Bill No. 4

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**ALLOW ELECTION FOR NEW LOCAL OFFICIALS WITH REGULAR
SCHOOL ELECTIONS**

PISTORIA (TRAYER)

Respectfully report as follows: That House Bill No. 4

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BE CONCURRED IN

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Senator Dave Paller

Chairman.