1999 HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

HB 1222

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1222

House Political Subdivisions Committee

□ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 1-21-99

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Minutes: BILL SUMMARY: Relating to elections to discontinue county job development
authorities. Chairman Froseth called the hearing to order with those present: Chairman Froseth,
Vice Chair Maragos, Rep. Delmore, Rep. Disrud, Rep. Eckre, Rep. Ekstrom, Rep. Glassheim,
Rep. Gunter, Rep. N. Johnson, Rep. Koppelman, Rep. Niemeier, Rep. Rose, Rep. Severson, Rep.
B. Thoreson, and Rep. Wikenheiser.

<u>Rep. James Jerzman, Dist. 35</u>: There was an omission to code and we needed to put in a time period. This is added language to clarify. I have with me the Hettinger County Auditor, who can answer more questions than I can. (1.8-3.3)

<u>Roy Steiner, Hettinger County Auditor</u> : I request my local legislators to check with Legislative Council on what can be done. To lengthen the time to 90 days, really helps make my job easier. The 60 days is in statute now.

<u>Vice Chair Maragos</u> : 4.2 Why would someone want to discontinue their county job authority commission, is their taxes involved?

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Roy: 4.4 Yes, there is taxes up to 4 mills that would be levied by a resolution of the board.

Rep. Koppelman : 4.6 You have a 60 day window before the election to prepare the ballot, and

someone came in 63 days before the election; this is the problem because this should be a longer

period of time.

Roy : The 60 days deadline is where you begin, I believe 45 days before the election, the absente

ballots have to be available. We need more time.

<u>Rep. Eckre :</u> Have you been able to get the absente ballots ready in that time period?

<u>Roy</u> : I can't say all the time. It's a very tight schedule.

<u>Rep. Rose</u> :6.0 This would only apply to the job development authority, this 90 days.

Roy : Yes, we have talked to Cory Fong with the Sec. State Office.

Rep. Glassheim :6.4 If someone wants to petition to get on the ballot, that would still be the 60

days, is that right?

Roy : Correct.

Hearing no more testimony, Chairman Froseth closed the hearing.

HB 1222 received action 1-21-99 in the afternoon. Vice Chair Maragos made a motion to DO PASS and Rep. Delmore seconded the motion. ROLL CALL: <u>15 YES</u>, <u>0</u> No, <u>0</u> Absent and Not Voting. Rep. Gunter will carry the bill.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1222: Political Subdivisions Committee (Rep. Froseth, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (15 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1222 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

1999 SENATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

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1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HOUSE BILL 1222

Senate Political Subdivisions Committee

□ Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 26, 1999

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Minutes:

SENATOR LEE: opens the hearing on HOUSE BILL 1222

REPRESENTATIVE KERZMAN: introduce HOUSE BILL 1222, see related testimony and

clarification of language in previous laws

SENATOR LEE: any questions

ROY STEINER: repealing job development authority, we are asking for additional 30 days for signature verification. Question in relation to the repealing of the job development authority SENATOR LEE: how spell last name, puts this issue in parallel with the other issues that are on the ballot

ROY STEINER: yes and no, if someone want's to file, they could file 60 day in advance and still get their name on the ballot. The law states in the statute that it could be 60 days in advance SENATOR WATNE: why would you want 90 days instead of 60

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ROD STEINER: more time to verify the signatures, need at least week to ten days to send out

post cards

SENATOR LEE: questions

SENATOR KRAUTER: guidelines within the century code and the development of the job

authority and is in support of this legislation

SENATOR LEE: close public hearing

MOTION: do pass by SENATOR WATNE:

SENATOR WATNE: discontinuing the authority within the 90 days and the resolution to create

a job development authority. Are most job development authorities created by resolutions

ROD STEINER: in our county, yes it was and it was upon the request of the 3 representatives of

the cities of the counties

SENATOR LEE: any other discussion

MOTION: seconded by SENATOR LYSON:

SENATOR LYSON: consent calendar

MOTION: Do pass

SENATOR FLAKOLL: carry on the floor

Date: 2 - 26 - 99 Roll Call Vote #:

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. $\square B \square \partial \partial \partial$

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1222: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Lee, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1222 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

1999 TESTIMONY

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TESTIMONY FOR HB 1222

Prepared by Representative James Kerzman

Tuesday, January 12, 1999

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