

2011 SENATE GOVERNMENT AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

SB 2118

2011 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Senate Government and Veteran's Affairs Committee
Missouri River Room, State Capitol

SB 2118
January 14, 2011
12904

Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature

Katie Oliver

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

Relating to volunteer s providing initial emergency situation; and to provide an appropriation.

Minutes:

No testimony.

Vice Chairman Sorvaag opened the public hearing on SB 2118.

Connie Sprynczynatyk: North Dakota League of Cities. I'm only rising to support the concept of this bill. My understanding of the bill is that we are trying to accomplish situations like the Northwood tornado and other sudden need for volunteer situations there can be a bit of a gap in coverage of those volunteers and I believe that is what this bill attempted to do. When Bismarck/Mandan flood threat in 2009 that was the first time that the river had threaten since 1953 when the Dam closed. We had tremendous number of volunteers at sandbag central at the Civic Center. Because we registered those volunteers for WSI coverage under that volunteer program. In the immediate aftermath of the Northwood tornado the City Auditor and everyone else had their hands more than full.

Senator Cook: Did your husband speak of any ideas to have this bill pulled?

Connie Sprynczynatyk: That is what I heard and that is why I am simply bookmarking the concept. The North Dakota League of Cities since 2003 when homeland security funds came to each state. Every state was given money to implement the Citizen Core Programs and the most active program is community emergency response training. Those people are trained in basic first aid and rescue. They are then hooked into the emergency response system so if something happen in a neighborhood there are people there prior to the first responders. In the case of the Northwood tornado some people came from various surrounding communities.

Tim Wahn: Executive Dir of Workforce Safety & Insurance.

Senator Cook: I thought that this was the way the bill came from us so it would just take a do not pass.

Vice Chairman Sorvaag then closed the public hearing on SB 2118. Senator Cook made a motion for a Do Not Pass with a second by Senator Berry, there was no further discussion and roll was taken. The motion passed 6-0-1.

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Date: 1-14-11
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2011 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO.

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Action Taken Do Not Pass

Motion Made By Cook Seconded By Berry

Senator	Yes	No	Senator	Yes	No
Chairman Dever			Senator Marcellais	X	
Vice Chairman Sorvaag	X		Senator Nelson	X	
Senator Barry	X				
Senator Cook	X				
Senator Schaible	X				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent Dever

Floor Assignment Cook

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2118: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Dever, Chairman)
recommends **DO NOT PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).
SB 2118 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.