

\*Senate Committee\*

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Date: *February 19, 2014*

Location: *RM 24*

Convened: *1:05 PM*

Adjourned: *1:45 PM*

### Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Senators Wilhelm-CH, Brase-VC, Sinclair-RM, Chelgren, Dvorsky, Guth, Hart, Quirnbach, Schoenjahn, Taylor, Rich, Zaub

Absent: None

Excused: None

Senator Wilhelm called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM and asked for Amendment 2865 to be distributed to each committee member.

The minutes from 2/5/2014 were approved unanimously.

Senator Wilhelm proposed that each party briefly caucus in separate rooms. After caucusing, Senator Wilhelm invited Senator Brase to introduce [SSB 3140](#). Senator Brase then explained the substance of the bill and recommended passage with intent to amend the language of the bill once it reached the floor. Senator Guth acknowledged that he had previously held reservations about a section of the bill, but that these reservations had since been allayed. Senator Brase then moved for a short form roll call on the bill, which was passed unanimously by the committee and will move to the calendar as a committee bill.

Senator Wilhelm then invited Senator Brase to introduce [SSB 3171](#). Senator Brase explained the content of the bill and committee members were invited to voice questions. Senator Chelgren noted that there was opposition to the bill by an organization and asked for unanimous consent to see if any representative of that organization was present and would testify to that effect. Unanimous consent was given, but no representative of that organization was present in the committee meeting to speak on the matter. Senator Brase then moved to vote on the bill in short form. The bill was approved unanimously and will move to the calendar as a committee bill.

Senator Wilhelm passed the Chair to Senator Brase. Senator Brase then invited Senator Wilhelm to introduce [SSB 3187](#). Senator Wilhelm explained the content of the bill and recommended passage while acknowledging that future changes to the language to the bill would be likely. Senator Wilhelm invited questions from the other Senators. Senator Sinclair acknowledged similar concerns as Senator Wilhelm mentioned previously. Senator Wilhelm then called for a short form vote, with Senator Sinclair and Senator Chelgren voting against the bill and the remaining Senators voting in favor. The bill will move to the calendar as a committee bill.

Senator Wilhelm then resumed her position as Chair and invited Senator Quirnbach to introduce [SF 2177](#). Senator Quirnbach then explained the content of the bill and recommended passage. Senator Guth voiced concerns over the content of the bill. Senator Chelgren then voiced concerns as well, and invited a representative of the Iowa State Association of Counties to indicate as such in the meeting. Unanimous consent was given, and Jamie Cashman of said organization was recognized and reiterated the Association's opposition to the bill. Senator

Quirnbach then gave closing remarks and recommended passage. A record vote was requested, with Senators Wilhelm, Brase, Dvorsky, Hart, Quirnbach, Schoenjahn, Taylor, and Zaun voting aye, and Senators Sinclair, Chelgren, and Guth voting nay. The bill will move to the calendar as a committee bill.

Senator Wilhelm then invited Senator Brase to introduce [SF 2069](#) and Amendment 2865 for [SF 2069](#). Senator Brase explained the content of the bill and its amendment. As no questions were raised, Senator Brase asked for a short form vote on Amendment 2865, which then passed unanimously. Senator Brase then asked for a short form vote on [SF 2069](#) as amended, which then passed unanimously and will move to the calendar as a committee bill.

Senator Sinclair then moved to adjourn the committee meeting at 1:45 pm.

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Senator Mary Jo Wilhelm

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Kevin Protzmann, Committee Secretary