

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB163

Hearing Date: Tuesday January 26, 2021
Committee On: Urban Affairs
Introducer: Urban Affairs
One Liner: Change and eliminate provisions relating to cities, villages, and metropolitan utilities districts

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Arch, Blood, Briese, Hansen, M., Hunt, Wayne, Lowe
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Trevor Fitzgerald

Representing:

Urban Affairs Committee

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 163 is a clean-up bill for statutes governing all classes of municipalities. The bill would amend sections of statute in Chapter 18 to make a variety of clean-up changes, including:

- Changing and correcting terminology;
 - Changing subject-verb agreement;
 - Clarifying provisions related to municipal initiatives and referenda;
 - Clarifying references to municipalities' corporate limits or extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction (ETJ);
 - Clarifying references to legal newspapers;
 - Correcting references to city, village, or metropolitan utilities district (MUD) officials;
 - Correcting gender references;
 - Correcting internal statutory references;
 - Eliminating run-on sentences;
 - Harmonizing references to other statutory sections within Chapter 18; and
 - Replacing or eliminating antiquated, obsolete, or unnecessary language
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Explanation of amendments:

AM 9 eliminates the outright repeal of the Municipal Infrastructure Redevelopment Fund Act and strikes specific notice language to be published by municipalities in the event of a municipal initiative or referendum.

Justin Wayne, Chairperson