

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS &
POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS STANDING COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2011, 4:00 P.M.
ROOM 415 STATE CAPITOL**

Members Present: Sen. Peter C. Knudson, Chair
 Sen. Margaret Dayton
 Sen. Luz Robles
 Sen. Daniel Thatcher

Member Excused: Sen. Scott Jenkins

Staff Present: Rich North, Policy Analyst
 Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Sen. Jerry Stevenson
 Brent Bateman, Ombudsman
 Sen. Wayne Niederhauser
 Spencer Hadley, Deputy Office Admin., Lieutenant Gov. Office

A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Committee Chair Knudson called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2011 minutes.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dayton Absent for the vote.

1. S.B. 56 -Office of the Property Rights Ombudsman Amendments

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to delete in title and body **S.B. 56** and place in lieu there of **1st Sub. S.B. 56**.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dayton absent for the vote.

Sen. J. Stevenson introduced and explained the bill.

Mr. Bateman spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass **1st Sub. S.B. 56** out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. S.B. 242 - Assessment Area Amendments

Sen. Niederhauser introduced and explained the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Robles moved to adopt the following amendment:

1. Page 7, Lines 203 through 205:

203 (1) (a) Before a local entity may designate an assessment area in which more than
75%
204 of the property proposed to be assessed consists of unimproved property, and designation
of the
205 assessment area would require that the local entity ~~{obtain a bond}~~ issue bonds ,
the local entity shall obtain:

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Dayton absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass **SB 242** out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to place **SB 242** on the Consent Calendar.

The motion passed unanimously.

3. 1st Sub. H.B. 32 - Campaign and Financial Reporting Amendments

Rep. Grover introduced and explained the bill.

Mr. Hadley spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to pass **1st Sub HB 32** out of committee with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed with Sens. Knudson, Dayton and Robles voting in favor and Sen. Thatcher voting against the bill.

MOTION: Sen. Dayton moved to adjourn.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Minutes reported by Karen C. Allred, Secretary.