

MINUTES
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
February 06, 2002
9:43 AM

TAPES

SFC-02 # 6, Side A

CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Pete Kelly convened the meeting at approximately 9:43 AM.

PRESENT

Senator Dave Donley, Co-Chair
Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chair
Senator Jerry Ward, Vice Chair
Senator Loren Leman
Senator Gary Wilken
Senator Alan Austerman
Senator Lyman Hoffman
Senator Donald Olson

Also Attending:

MARY SIROKY, Manager, Information Education & Coordination, Division of Statewide Public Service, Department of Environmental Conservation; JOHN BARNETT, Chair, Board of Storage Tank Assistance, Department of Environmental Conservation.

SUMMARY INFORMATION

SB 153-UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK LOAN FUND

The Committee heard from the sponsor and the Department of Environmental Conservation. The bill moved out of Committee.

SB 115-EXTEND BD. OF STORAGE TANK ASSISTANCE

The Committee heard from the sponsor. The bill moved from Committee.

#sb153

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 153(RES)

"An Act replacing the storage tank assistance fund with the underground storage tank revolving loan fund and relating to that revolving loan fund; repealing the tank cleanup program and the tank upgrading and closure program; and providing for an effective date."

This was the second hearing for this bill in the Senate Finance Committee.

Co-Chair Kelly voiced support of this bill.

MARY SIROKY, Manager, Information Education & Coordination, Division of Statewide Public Service, Department of Environmental Conservation, stated the Department supports this bill.

Senator Lemman voiced appreciation to the Board of Storage Tank Assistance, Department of Environmental Conservation, and the Committee members and the many parties for coming together to address this "complex issue". He informed this bill is moving in the direction that "was intended."

Senator Lemman offered a motion to report CS SB 153 (FIN), 22-LS0696\L Cook from committee with a new zero fiscal note from the Department of Environmental Conservation.

Without objection the bill MOVED from Committee.

#SB115

SENATE BILL NO. 115

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Storage Tank Assistance."

This was the second hearing for this bill in the Senate Finance Committee.

Senator Lemman explained the details of the bill and stated the two-year extension of the Board of Storage Tank Assistance is appropriate. He stated that tank owners support the continuation of the Board of Storage Tank Assistance.

Senator Lemman offered a motion to report SB 115 from Committee with a new Department of Environmental Conservation fiscal note of \$51,400.

There being no objection, the bill MOVED from Committee.

Recess to the call of the Chair 9:48 AM

Co-Chair Kelly reconvened the meeting on Tuesday, February 12, 2002, at 9:46 am.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Finance Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:46 am.