

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
May 14, 2024
10:09 a.m.

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CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Olson called the Senate Finance Committee meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Senator Lyman Hoffman, Co-Chair
Senator Donny Olson, Co-Chair
Senator Bert Stedman, Co-Chair
Senator Click Bishop
Senator Jesse Kiehl
Senator Kelly Merrick
Senator David Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

ALSO PRESENT

Senator Scott Kawasaki, Sponsor; Representative Sarah Vance, Sponsor.

SUMMARY

CSHB 129(JUD)

VOTER REGISTRATION

SCS CSHB 129(FIN) was REPORTED out of committee with three "do pass" recommendations, three "no recommendations", one "amend" recommendation; and one new fiscal note form the Governor's Office, and one new zero fiscal note from the Department of Administration.

SB 217 INTEGRATED TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS

SB 217 was SCHEDULED but not HEARD.

#hb129

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 129 (JUD)

"An Act relating to voter registration; and providing for an effective date."

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Co-Chair Olson MOVED to ADOPT Amendment 2. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Co-Chair Olson MOVED to ADOPT Amendment 3.

Mr. Alper explained Amendment 3.

Co-Chair Olson REMOVED the OBJECTION. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

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AT EASE

10:11:37 AM

RECONVENED

Senator Wilson MOVED Amendment 1.

Co-Chair Olson OBJECTED for discussion.

Senator Wilson explained Amendment 1.

Senator Kiehl surmised that without the amendment, a candidate could deposit money into a legal fund after the election and raise money for the legal fund. He wondered whether those funds would be disclosed into the limited list.

Senator Wilson replied in the affirmative.

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Senator Kiehl felt that it was a good amendment.

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Co-Chair Olson REMOVED his objection. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Co-Chair Olson moved Amendment 4.

Co-Chair Olson OBJECTED for discussion.

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Mr. Alper explained Amendment 4.

[10:14:49 AM](#)

Co-Chair Olson REMOVED his OBJECTION. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

Co-Chair Olson MOVED amendment 5.

Co-Chair Olson OBJECTED for discussion.

Mr. Alper explained Amendment 5.

Senator Wilson maintained an objection.

Senator Wilson felt that his district would oppose the amendment.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion.

IN FAVOR: Kiehl, Olson, Merrick, Bishop, Stedman.

OPPOSED: Wilson

By a vote of 5/0, Amendment 5 was adopted.

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AT EASE

[10:18:11 AM](#)

RECONVENED

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Senator Wilson MOVED Amendment 6.

Co-Chair Olson and Co-Chair Stedman OBJECTED for discussion.

Senator Wilson explained Amendment 6.

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Senator Kiehl OBJECTED. He felt that he did not like the idea of the amount of time that a person would have to deal with paperwork from the Division of Elections.

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Senator Merrick stated that she had a large military constituency, and often military only vote in presidential elections. She felt it may disenfranchise those people. She also opposed the amendment

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Senator Wilson WITHDREW Amendment 6.

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AT EASE

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RECONVENED

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Co-Chair Olson MOVED amendment 7.

Co-Chair Olson OBJECTED for discussion.

Mr. Alper explained Amendment 7.

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Co-Chair Olson REMOVED OBJECTION Amendment 7. There being NO OBJECTION, it was so ordered.

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SENATOR SCOTT KAWASAKI, SPONSOR, spoke to the changes in the committee substitute.

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Senator Wilson queried the timeframe for the implementation of Amendment 2.

Senator Kawasaki deferred to someone who had examined the legislation.

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AT EASE

10:26:35 AM

RECONVENED

10:27:15 AM

REPRESENTATIVE SARAH VANCE, SPONSOR, stated that the changes would not be able to have concurrence on the original bill.

Senator Bishop MOVED to REPORT SCS CSHB 129(FIN) out of committee with individual recommendations and attached fiscal notes.

SCS CSHB 129(FIN) was REPORTED out of committee with three "do pass" recommendations, three "no recommendations", one "amend" recommendation; and one new fiscal note from the Governor's Office, and one new zero fiscal note from the Department of Administration.

10:28:05 AM

RECESSED

#sb217

SENATE BILL NO. 217

"An Act relating to the taxation of independent power producers; and increasing the efficiency of integrated transmission system charges and use for the benefit of ratepayers."

SB 217 was HEARD and HELD in committee for further consideration.

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ADJOURNMENT

10:28:22 AM

The meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.