ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB562

Hearing Date: Tuesday March 03, 2009

Committee On: Urban Affairs Introducer: Lathrop

One Liner: Provide for the continued service of metropolitan utilities district board members after annexation

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 6 Senators Coash, Cook, Friend, Lathrop, McGill, Rogert

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator White

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing: Senator Lathrop Introducer

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Doug Clark MUD

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill deals with Metropolitan Utilities Districts, proposing to authorize the continuance in office as a member of the board of an outside director whose residence is annexed into a city of the metropolitan class.

This bill is applicable only to metropolitan utilities districts and metropolitan cities.

Each metropolitan utilities district is governed by a board of seven directors.

One of the seven directors is known as the "outside director," a director elected at-large (by all voters residing in the district) who resides within the district but outside the corporate limits of the city of the metropolitan class.

This bill would provide that when the residence of the outside director is annexed into the city of the metropolitan class, the outside director would continue to serve in that capacity until the expiration of his or her term of office (instead of having a vacancy in that position declared).

Under current law (Sec. 14-2104), any vacancy occurring in the board of directors would be filled for the unexpired term by the remaining board members within thirty days of the creation of the vacancy (i.e. the effective date of the annexation).

The term of a board member is six years.

Mike Friend, Chairperson