

Local Government Committee

SB 5032

Brief Description: Changing qualifications for appointees to metropolitan water pollution abatement advisory committees.

Sponsors: Senators Pridemore, Swecker and Chase.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Deletes the requirement that a water-sewer district's appointee to a metropolitan water pollution abatement advisory committee must be a commissioner of the water-sewer district.

Hearing Date: 3/4/11

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Background:

State law authorizes any area of the state containing two or more cities, at least one corporation of which has a population of 10,000 or more, to create a metropolitan municipal corporation to perform one or more of the following functions: metropolitan water pollution abatement, metropolitan water supply, metropolitan public transportation, metropolitan garbage disposal, metropolitan parks and parkways, and metropolitan comprehensive planning. The legislative body of a corporation is a metropolitan council (council).

The council of a corporation charged with performing water pollution abatement must form a metropolitan water pollution abatement advisory committee (advisory committee) to advise the council in matters related to the performance of the water pollution abatement function.

Membership on the advisory committee must include an appointee from each component city and county that operates a sewer system and a member of the board of commissioners of each water-sewer district that operates a sewer system, any part of which lies within the metropolitan area.

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Summary of Bill:

The requirement that a member of the board of commissioners for each water-sewer district in the metropolitan area serve on the advisory committee is modified to allow such a board to appoint a non-commissioner to serve on the advisory committee.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.