Planning and Development Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

11:15 AM in Room 2B of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 11:18 AM by Chairman, Sen. Cassano, S. S04.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Bradley D. S23; Cassano S. S04; Champagne D. S35; Cohen C. S12; Somers H. S18

Representatives: Arnone T. 058; Baker A. 124; Conley C. 040; D'Agostino M. 091; Delnicki T. 014; Dubitsky D. 047; France M. 042; Gucker K. 138; Haines I. 034; Hall J. 007; Kokoruda N. 101; McCarthy Vahey C. 133; Michel D. 146; Rojas J. 009; Santiago E. 130; Stafstrom S. 129; Zawistowski T. 061

Absent were:

Senators: Fonfara J. S01

Sen. Cassano convened the meeting, greeted those in attendance, and made remarks about the committee based on his experience in previous sessions, describing it as a bipartisan committee with no labels and stating that they are all there to do a job. He then introduced his Co-Chair, Rep. McCarthy Vahey, who commented that she is thrilled to be joining this committee as a new Co-Chair.

Sen. Cassano then asked the other committee members and the Clerk, Wade Packer, to introduce themselves and make brief comments if desired. After all present had done so, Sen. Cassano explained that members are on multiple committees which often meet simultaneously, and votes may sometimes be held open until a set time to allow for this.
Sen. Cassano moved on to section IV on the agenda, Bills for Review, and stated he would entertain a motion to vote to on all three of the respective actions on the three bills listed:

1. To Refer to the Environment Committee Proposed H.B. No. 5124 AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEMS PERMITTING REQUIREMENTS.
2. To Vote to Draft Proposed H.B. No. 5125 AN ACT INCREASING THE PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT FOR CERTAIN FIRST RESPONDERS.
3. To Refer to the Judiciary Committee Proposed H.B. No. 5227 AN ACT CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF FIREARMS BY MUNICIPALITIES.

The motion was made by Rep. Stafstrom, seconded by Rep. Delnicki and was passed by voice vote.

Sen. Cassano said he would entertain a motion to raise all 5 concepts on section V on the agenda:

1. AN ACT CONCERNING CRUMBLING CONCRETE FOUNDATIONS
2. AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL SHARED SERVICES
3. AN ACT CONCERNING REGIONALLY SHARED TECHNOLOGY
4. AN ACT CONCERNING REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
5. AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF CERTAIN NEW MUNICIPAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

The motion was made by Rep. Stafstrom, seconded by Rep. Rojas and passed by voice vote.

Sen. Cassano asked the Clerk to announce the date and time of the next meeting, which was set to be held on Wednesday, January 30th at 10:30AM.

A motion was duly made and seconded at 11:31AM to recess the meeting until 4PM, at which point it was promptly adjourned.