Public Safety and Security Committee

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 29, 2019

1:00 PM in Room 1D of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 1:08PM by Chairman, Rep. Verrengia J. 020.

The following committee members were present:

Senators: Bradley D. S23; Cassano S. S04; Champagne D. S35; Hwang T. S28; Osten C. S19; Winfield G. S10

Representatives: Allie-Brennan R. 002; Barry J. 031; Boyd P. 050; Camillo F. 151; Dauphinais A. 044; Fishbein C. 090; Fusco J. 081; Genga H. 010; Gonzalez M. 003; Hall C. 059; Hayes R. 051; Morin R. 028; Orange L. 048; Paolillo A. 097; Serra J. 033; Simmons C. 144; Sredzinski J. 112; Vail K. 052; Verrengia J. 020

Absent were:

Senators:

Representatives:

The meeting was called to order at 1:08PM and was immediately recessed for members to go into caucus. The meeting was called back to order at 1:39PM. An amendment was offered by the chair on HB 7192, the amendment served to remove sections 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the bill. A motion was made by Sen. Bradley and seconded by Rep. Paolillo on the amendment offered. A voice vote was held and the amendment passed. A motion was then made by Sen. Bradley and seconded by Rep. Paolillo on HB 7192. Rep. Sredzinski commented that he appreciates the amendment. However his town is currently losing funding, additionally that this bill would cause either a loss of funding or an increase in property tax, and that the timelines put forth in the bill are unrealistic to meet. Rep. Orange stated that she will be voting yes to move the bill out of committee,
but the bill does need work. Rep. Fishbein commented that this bill could cause problems with municipalities choosing to opt out of an agreement, and the language referring to “coalition bargaining” is incorrect. Rep. Genga asked for clarification on the term “coalition bargaining”, and Rep. Verrengia responded that there is no definition for this term in the bill yet. A roll call vote was taken on HB 7192, and the bill as amended passed.

A motion was duly made and seconded to recess the meeting.

The meeting was recessed at 1:51PM, and votes were held open until 4PM.

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Assistant Clerk               Don Cretella