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MONTANA SENATE 67th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Terry Gauthier, on January 13, 2021 at 3:30 PM, in Room 405
Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present in the Committee Room:

Sen. Terry Gauthier, Chair (R)
Sen. Ellie Boldman, Vice Chair (D)
Sen. John Esp, Vice Chair (R)
Sen. Jason W. Ellsworth (R)
Sen. Chris Friedel (R)

Members Present via Zoom Video Conference:

Sen. Carlie Boland (D)
Sen. Shane A. Morigeau (D)
Sen. Christopher Pope (D)

Members Excused: Sen. Mark Blasdel (R)
Sen. Steve Fitzpatrick (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary
Toni Henneman, Legislative Branch
Monte Cole, Remote Meeting Coordinator

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Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 54, 12/31/2020

Executive Action: SB 54 Do Pass

HEARING ON SB 54

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

15:31:56 Sen. Jason Ellsworth (R), SD 43, opened the hearing on SB54, Require reviews of experimental on-site wastewater treatment systems.

Proponents' Testimony:

15:33:28 Abigail St. Lawrence, Montana Building Industry Association

15:34:32 Sam Sill, Montana Association of Realtors

15:35:49 Derf Johnson, Montana Environmental Information Center

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

15:37:22 Tim Davis, Water Quality Division administrator, Department of Environmental Quality

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

15:38:03 Sen. Ellsworth

15:38:36 *Note: Technical difficulties with Zoom*

15:42:09 Chair Gauthier

15:42:24 Toni Henneman, Legislative Services Division

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 54

15:43:01 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Ellsworth moved that **SB 54 DO PASS**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Blasdel and Sen. Fitzpatrick voted by proxy.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 3:43 PM

Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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