

2023 HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

HB 1155

2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee Room JW327B, State Capitol

HB 1155
1/12/2023

Relating to sanctuary status.

Chairman Longmuir opened the hearing on HB 1155 at 8:30 AM. Members present: Chairman Longmuir, Vice Chairman Fegley, Rep. Hatlestad, Rep. Heilman, Rep. Holle, Rep. Jonas, Rep. Klemin, Rep. Ostlie, Rep. Rios, Rep. Toman, Rep. Warrey, Rep. Davis, Rep. Hager, Rep. Motschenbacher

Discussion Topics:

- Sanctuary cities
- Being proactive
- Definition of sanctuary cities
- Conflict on local control

Rep. Heilman: Introduced the bill. Testimony # 13020

Hearing closed at 8:39 AM.

Do Pass Motion by Rep Rios; Seconded by Rep. Holle

Representatives	Vote
Representative Donald W. Longmuir	Y
Representative Clayton Fegley	Y
Representative Jayme Davis	N
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	N
Representative Patrick Hatlestad	Y
Representative Matt Heilman	Y
Representative Dawson Holle	Y
Representative Jim Jonas	Y
Representative Lawrence R. Klemin	Y
Representative Mike Motschenbacher	Y
Representative Mitch Ostlie	N
Representative Nico Rios	Y
Representative Nathan Toman	Y
Representative Jonathan Warrey	Y

Roll Call Vote 11 Yes 3 No 0 Absent

Carrier: Rep. Heilman

Meeting closed at 9:15 AM.

Delores Shimek, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1155: Political Subdivisions Committee (Rep. Longmuir, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (11 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1155 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2023 SENATE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

HB 1155

2023 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

State and Local Government Committee
Room JW216, State Capitol

HB 1155
3/30/2023

Relating to sanctuary status.

9:00 AM Vice Chair Barta opened the hearing. Present: Vice Chair Barta, Sen Cleary, Sen Estenson, Sen J Lee, and Sen Braunberger.

Discussion Topics:

- Immigration status
- Anti law enforcement

Rep Matt Heilman, Dist 7, bill sponsor testified in support with no written testimony.

9:10 AM Vice Chair Barta closed the hearing.

Pam Dever, Committee Clerk

2023 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

State and Local Government Committee
Room JW216, State Capitol

HB 1155
3/30/2023

Relating to sanctuary status.

3:00 PM Vice Chair Barta opened committee work. Present: Vice Chair Barta, Sen Cleary, Sen Estenson, Sen J Lee, and Sen Braunberger. Sen Roers was absent.

Discussion Topics:

- Committee action

Sen Estenson moved a DO PASS.

Sen Cleary seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Kristin Roers	AB
Senator Jeff Barta	Y
Senator Ryan Braunberger	N
Senator Sean Cleary	Y
Senator Judy Estenson	Y
Senator Judy Lee	Y

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES – 4 NO – 1 Absent – 1 Motion PASSED

Sen Estenson will carry the bill.

3:07 PM Vice Chair Barta adjourned the meeting.

Pam Dever, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1155: State and Local Government Committee (Sen. K. Roers, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (4 YEAS, 1 NAY, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1155 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

TESTIMONY

HB 1155

January 12, 2023
Testimony to: Political Subdivision Committee
Position: In Favor
Bill: HB 1155

Chairman and Members of the Political Subdivisions Committee,

I am Representative Matt Heilman testifying on my bill HB 1155. There is no doubt our southern border is in complete disarray and that the southern border is overflowing with unchecked immigration. I am here to help protect our state from this ongoing problem in our country.

Our country is being flooded by drugs, sex traffickers, criminals and people who lack the respect of our great country to go through the legal process of entering. We all agree this is not a good scenario with no positives to it. America needs to be made up of Americans. More importantly, America needs to be filled with Americans with respect for our laws, culture, and way of life. Breaking into our country is not meeting that criteria.

The closest sanctuary to us for unlawful citizens is Hennepin County, Minnesota. There is no doubt Minneapolis is having a growing influence in the east side of our state. It is in our state's best interest to be on top of this issue by passing this bill.

Teddy Roosevelt once said "We have room for but one flag, the American flag... We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language... and we have room for but one sole loyalty and that is a loyalty to the American people."

This bill would prevent sanctuaries for unlawful citizens all throughout North Dakota. It is better to be proactive on this issue rather than reactive. It is certainly more feasible to be preventing this problem instead of waiting for it to become a problem and then passing legislation about it.

I respectfully ask for a do pass recommendation from the committee.