

HB 1377 -- COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSIONS

SPONSOR: Sutherland

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Local Government by a vote of 17 to 0.

This bill increases the maximum reimbursement rate for members of county planning commissions. In second and third classification counties, the rate of reimbursement for expenses will increase from \$15 to \$25 per meeting. In counties with alternative county planning and zoning, the rate will increase from \$10 to \$25. The bill also deletes the maximum number of meetings for which the members may be reimbursed.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2005, FY 2006, and FY 2007.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that currently, depending on the county classification, there are different reimbursement rates for planning and zoning commission members. The bill equalizes the reimbursement rate.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Sutherland.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

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