

Summary of January 8, 2024, FLC Monday Morning Call-In

Casey Cook/Charles Chapman Update:

- Proposed Committee Bill [WMC 1](#) (Ways & Means Committee Bill) **Increased Homestead Property Tax Exemption – Oppose** – WMC 1 passed the House Ways & Means Committee (16-8) today, January 8. This proposed committee bill will now be assigned a House bill number, bill sponsor, and committee assignments.
- Proposed Committee Bill [WMC 2](#) (Ways & Means Committee Bill) **Annual Inflation Adjustment to Homestead Exemption – Oppose** – WMC 2 passed the House Ways & Means Committee (16-8) today, January 8. This proposed committee bill will now be assigned a House bill number, bill sponsor, and committee assignments.

Thank you to those who responded to the FLC Legislative Alert on these two bills. *Email Charles with data on how this legislation impacts your city. Also, contact your senator and share how these bills will impact your city.*

David Cruz Update:

- [SB 688](#) (Martin) and [HB 479](#) (W. Robinson) **Alternative Mobility Funding Systems – Support** – SB 688 will be heard on Tuesday, January 9, in the Senate Community Affairs Committee at 4:30 p.m. This is the first of three committee stops in the Senate. HB 479 has three committee references and has not yet been heard in a committee.
- [SB 1184](#) (Ingoglia) and [HB 1221](#) (McClain) **Land Use and Development Regulations – Oppose** – Both bills were filed last week and have not yet received committee references. *Share this legislation with your land use professionals and provide feedback to David on how this bill would impact your city.*

Jeff Branch Update:

- [SB 328](#) (Calatayud) and [HB 1239](#) (V. Lopez) **Development/Live Local Act – Support** – SB 328 will be heard on Tuesday, January 9, in the Senate Community Affairs Committee. This is the first of two committee stops in the Senate. HB 1239 was filed last week and has not yet received committee assignments.

Rebecca O’Hara Update:

- [HB 777](#) (Brackett) and [SB 1088](#) (Martin) **Municipal Water or Sewer Utility Rates, Fees and Charges – Oppose** – Both bills have three committee references and have not yet been scheduled for a committee hearing.
- [HB 1277](#) (Busatta Cabrera) and [SB 1510](#) (Brodeur) **Municipal Utilities – Oppose** – Both bills were filed last week and have not yet received committee references.

Share this legislation with your utility director and provide feedback to Rebecca on how these bills would impact your city.

Sam Wagoner Update:

- [SB 280](#) (DiCeglie) **Vacation Rentals** – **Oppose** – SB 280 passed out of its first committee of reference, the Regulated Industries Committee, on December 13. It has one more committee stop in the Senate, the Fiscal Policy Committee. The Fiscal Policy Committee meets this Thursday, January 11 at 10:00 a.m. We will find out today at 2:30 p.m. if SB 280 will be on this week’s committee agenda. At this time, there is no House companion bill.
- [SB 1322](#) (Ingoglia) and [HB 1195](#) (Garrison) **Millage Rate Increase** – **Monitor** – Both bills were filed last week and have not yet received committee references.
- [SB 972](#) (Gruters) and [HB 1459](#) (McFarland) **Artificial Intelligence** – **Monitor** – SB 972 has three Senate committee references and has not yet had a committee hearing. HB 1459 was filed last week and has not yet received committee references.

Announcements:

- If you have feedback on any of the bills above, please contact the lobbyist tracking the bill.
- Next week’s Call-In will be on TUESDAY, January 16, due to the Martin Luther King Holiday. Conference Call Phone Number: (888) 585-9008; Conference Room Number: 301-563-714#
- FLC Legislative Action Days is January 29 – 31, 2024. Click [HERE](#) to register.