

# Bill as Introduced

SB 448 - AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

02/03/10 0372s

2010 SESSION

10-2916  
03/09

SENATE BILL        **448**

AN ACT            relative to alternate members of land use boards.

SPONSORS:        Sen. Roberge, Dist 9; Sen. Lasky, Dist 13; Sen. Merrill, Dist 21; Sen. Barnes, Jr.,  
Dist 17; Sen. Bradley, Dist 3; Sen. Odell, Dist 8; Rep. Grassie, Straf 1;  
Rep. Graham, Hills 18; Rep. Hawkins, Hills 18; Rep. Theberge, Coos 4

COMMITTEE:      Public and Municipal Affairs

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ANALYSIS

This bill allows alternate members of land use boards to participate in meetings of the board as nonvoting members.

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Explanation:     Matter added to current law appears in *bold italics*.  
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough.~~]  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten*

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*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

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2 after paragraph IV the following new paragraph:

3           V. An alternate member of a local land use board may participate in meetings of the board  
4 as a nonvoting member.

5       2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

# Amendments

Municipal and County Government  
April 1, 2010  
2010-1214h  
03/09

Amendment to SB 448

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6 the board, actively participate in the board's discussion of the matter.

*Not Proposed*

Rep. Sterling, Ches. 7  
Rep. Patten, Carr. 4  
Rep. Ferrante, Rock. 5  
April 8, 2010  
2010-1276h  
03/09

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6 as a nonvoting member pursuant to rules adopted under RSA 676:1.

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8 Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following and renumbering the original section 2 to  
9 read as 3:

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11 2 Rules of Procedure. Amend RSA 676:1 to read as follows:

12 676:1 Method of Adopting Rules of Procedure. Every local land use board shall adopt rules of  
13 procedure concerning the method of conducting its business. Rules of procedure shall be adopted at  
14 a regular meeting of the board and shall be placed on file with city, town, village district clerk, or  
15 clerk for the county commissioners for public inspection. *The rules of procedure shall include*  
16 *when and how an alternate may participate in meetings of the land use board.*

**Amendment to SB 448**  
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2010-1276h

**AMENDED ANALYSIS**

This bill allows alternate members of land use boards to participate in meetings of the board as nonvoting members and requires that the procedural rules of the board include when and how the alternate may participate.

# Speakers





# Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC HEARING ON SB 448

**BILL TITLE:** relative to alternate members of land use boards.  
**DATE:** March 30, 2010  
**LOB ROOM:** LOB 301   **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 10:30 am  
**Time Adjourned:** 10:52 am

(please circle if present)

**Committee Members:** Reps. Cooney, Gagnon, Osborne, L. Brown, Saliberte, Wheeler, Boisvert, Carlson, Lauterborn, Lewis, Schuetz, Patten, Boyce, C. Soucy, J. Sullivan, Crisler, Ferrante, Perkins, Sterling and Cunningham.

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TESTIMONY

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Ans. - If you have this procedure.

Rep. Carlson: Why is this needed? Ans. - To encourage attendance of alternate.

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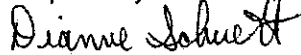
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# Sub-Committee Minutes



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON SB448

**BILL TITLE:** relative to alternate members of land use boards.

**DATE:** April 6, 2010

**Subcommittee Members:** Reps. Boisvert, Boyce, Brown, Cooney, Cunningham, Ferrante, Gagnon, Lauterborn, Osborne, Patten, Perkins, Schuett, Sterling, Sullivan, Wheelerl

**Comments and Recommendations:**

**Amendments:**

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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**Motions:** OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Retained (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

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Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Dianne Schuett  
Subcommittee Chairman/Clerk

**SB 448 Full Committee Work Session, April 6, 2010**

Rep. Gagnon opened meeting at 11:32 a.m.

Committee examined the amendment proposed by Ben Frost, et al.

Rep. Boyce: I think the alternates should be able to debate.

Rep. Patten: no, this says debate on motions.

Rep. Ferrante: problem brought out at hearing was when participation should end.

Rep. Boyce: proposed Am. #1214h

Rep. Schuett: suggested combining prop Am's – Mr. Frost's and Rep. Boyce's

Rep. Cunningham: there was mention at hearing of an alternate who, perhaps has expertise to offer.

Rep. Schuett: in that case, the board could ask the alternate questions.

Rep. Sterling: thinks this makes alternate a 'super citizen.'

Rep. Patten: I don't agree, think it just makes alternate more knowledgeable of issues if he/she needs to sit in.

Rep. Cunningham: cited alternate jurors.

Ben Frost was invited to speak: question is, are alternates tainting the vote?

Rep. Brown: is the board required to seat any alternate?

Rep. Sterling: suggested language for Am – 'until such time as hearing has been closed, unless seated as a full member under the provisions of RSA 673:11.'

Rep. Patten: Frank wants to draw the line after the hearing – the other Am draws the line up until the vote.

Rep. Sullivan: The idea is to encourage alternate participation. But should also consider plight of applicant – who is he dealing with?

Rep. Patten: these things are not usually decided in one meeting. They may meet 2 or 3 times.

Rep. Schuett: I agree with Rep. Patten, the Frost Am would encourage alternates to participate in event they are needed in final process.

SB 448, April 6, 2010 work session continued...

Rep. Sterling: feels a developer may feel an alternate taking part in discussion after hearing is closed is giving testimony when no one else can.

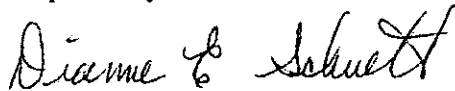
Rep. Ferrante: where are the legalities?

Rep. Patten: in your town, you can be stricter in local policy than this law, but you cannot be less strict.

Ben Frost: Rep. Sterling's Am doesn't take into account that planning boards take many votes at different stages throughout the process – a gavel doesn't always fall delineating the end of that process clearly.

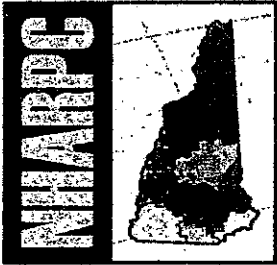
Meeting closed at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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Rep. Dianne E. Schuett, clerk

# Testimony



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March 26, 2010

The Honorable Mary Cooney, Chair  
Municipal and County Government Committee  
Legislative Office Building, Room 301  
Concord, NH 03301

RE: **Support for SB 448**

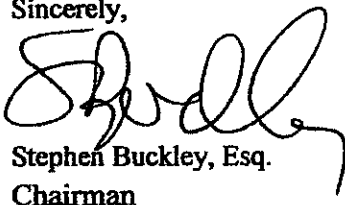
Dear Chairman Cooney and Members of the Committee:


At our March 25, 2010 meeting, the New Hampshire Association of Regional Planning Commissions (NHARPC) considered the above referenced legislation. The bill as proposed clarifies the ability of an alternate member of a local land use board to actively participate in meetings of the board as a nonvoting member.

Members of local land use boards, including alternate members, serve as a result of their knowledge of and interest in community planning and land use matters. Therefore, allowing the active participation of all board members during meetings will add to the depth of information, discussion and perspective which can ultimately lead to better decision-making on the part of the board as a whole. In addition, the active participation of alternate members in meetings of the board in which they act as a nonvoting member can help in achieving continuity in instances where the alternate member is required to act as a voting member in a subsequent meeting of the board.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment. Please contact me if you have questions about our position.

Sincerely,

  
Stephen Buckley, Esq.  
Chairman

SB 448 

Hello, Rep. Cooney:

Following the hearing on SB 448, several of us (Cordell, Rick Sawyer, Jen Czysz, Nancy Johnson, and I) had a conversation about concerns raised by committee members, and we've come up with this amendment to address those issues.

Let me know if you have any questions. I hope to be able to attend the work session on Tuesday.

Ben

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~~~~~  
Benjamin D. Frost, Esq., AICP  
Director of Public Affairs, New Hampshire Housing  
32 Constitution Drive, Bedford, NH 03110

# Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION on SB 448

**BILL TITLE:** relative to alternate members of land use boards.

**DATE:** April 13, 2010

**LOB ROOM:** LOB 301

**Amendments:**

Sponsor: Rep. Sterling OLS Document #: 2010 1276h

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**Motions:** OTP OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. sterling

Seconded by Rep. Laurerborn

Vote: 18-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

**Motions:** OTP OTP/A ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Sterling

Seconded by Rep. Ferrante

Vote: 18-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

**CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE:** Yes, vv

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

**Statement of Intent:** Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Dianne E. Schuett, Clerk



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION on SB 448

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DATE: 4/13/2010.

LOB ROOM: LOB 301

Amendments:

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Motions: OTP, AM OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. *Sterling*  
Seconded by Rep. *Sauterborn*  
Vote: 18-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

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Seconded by Rep. *Ferrante*  
Vote: 18-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE:

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.) YES

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report *Patten/Sterling*

Respectfully submitted,  
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## MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Bill #: SB 448 Title: re alternate members of land use boardsPH Date: 3 130 12010Exec Session Date: 4 119 12010Motion: OTP/AM

Amendment #: \_\_\_\_\_

| MEMBER                            | YEAS | NAYS |
|-----------------------------------|------|------|
| Cooney, Mary R, Chairman          | 18   |      |
| Gagnon, Raymond G, V Chairman     | 1    |      |
| Osborne, Jessie L                 | 2    |      |
| Brown, Larry                      | 3    |      |
| Laliberte, Suzanne S              | 4    |      |
| Wheeler, Deborah                  | 5    |      |
| Boisvert, Ronald R                | 6    |      |
| Carlson, Nancy L                  | 7    |      |
| Lauterborn, Elaine M              | 8    |      |
| Lewis, Robert D                   | 9    |      |
| Schuett, Dianne E, Clerk          | 10   |      |
| Patten, Betsey L                  | 11   |      |
| Boyce, Laurie J                   | 12   |      |
| Soucy, Connie M                   | 13   |      |
| Sullivan, James M                 | 14   |      |
| Crisler, Margaret M <i>absent</i> |      |      |
| Ferrante, Beverly A               | 15   |      |
| Perkins, Amy Stasia <i>absent</i> |      |      |
| Sterling, Franklin W              | 16   |      |
| Cunningham, Steven L              | 17   |      |
| TOTAL VOTE:                       | 18   | 0    |

# Committee Report

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**April 14, 2010**

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE**

**The Committee on MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY  
GOVERNMENT to which was referred SB448,**

**AN ACT relative to alternate members of land use  
boards. Having considered the same, report the same  
with the following amendment, and the  
recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS WITH  
AMENDMENT.**

**Rep. Franklin W Sterling**

**FOR THE COMMITTEE**

## COMMITTEE REPORT

|                   |                                                          |
|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| Committee:        | <b>MUNICIPAL AND COUNTY GOVERNMENT</b>                   |
| Bill Number:      | <b>SB448</b>                                             |
| Title:            | <b>relative to alternate members of land use boards.</b> |
| Date:             | <b>April 14, 2010</b>                                    |
| Consent Calendar: | <b>YES</b>                                               |
| Recommendation:   | <b>OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT</b>                      |

### STATEMENT OF INTENT

Local land use boards rely upon the services of alternate members to be ready to step in and fill a vacancy on the board when a regular member is unavailable. In order for the alternate members to be ready when needed they should be included in the regular business of the board as much as possible. Taking an active part in setting agendas, reviewing applications and proposed changes to local ordinances and, most importantly, in any and all training offered to their local boards. This legislation will amend RSA 673:6 by adding a section that will require local land use boards to develop within their rules and procedures guidelines that spell out the appropriate level of participation by its alternate members.

Vote 18-0.

Rep. Franklin W Sterling  
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk  
Cc: Committee Bill File

## CONSENT CALENDAR

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COMMITTEE REPORT

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DATE: 4/13/2010 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES [checked] NO [ ]

[ ] OUGHT TO PASS

[x] OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT

[ ] INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE

[ ] INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No. 2010-1276h

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

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COMMITTEE VOTE: 18-0

- Copy to Committee Bill File
• Use Another Report for Minority Report

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Rep. [Signature] For the Committee Sterling

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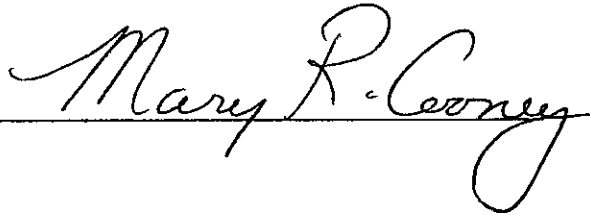
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