

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1578

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS,
APRIL 4, 1991

Brief Description: Authorizing owners of property in the vicinity of a county road to petition for its vacation.

SPONSORS: Representative Appelwick.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators McCaslin, Chairman; Roach, Vice Chairman; Madsen, and Sutherland.

Staff: Rod McAulay (786-7754)

Hearing Dates: April 4, 1991

BACKGROUND:

The process for a county to vacate and abandon a road is initiated by ten "freeholders residing" in the vicinity of the road filing a petition with the county legislative authority requesting the vacation. A freeholder is a person holding either legal or equitable title to property.

SUMMARY:

The signature requirement on a petition initiating the process to vacate a county road is altered from ten freeholders residing in the vicinity of the road that is proposed to be abandoned to ten owners of an interest in any real estate in the vicinity of the road that is proposed to be abandoned. Owners of an interest in real property may include not only legal and equitable title holders but lessors as well.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: none requested

TESTIMONY FOR: None

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: No one