

Senate Executive Committee Meeting

**Official Minutes
151st General Assembly
First Session**

**Committee Meeting
Wednesday, June 16, 2021
3:00 p.m.
Virtual Zoom Meeting**

Meeting Attendance

Committee Members Present:

Senator David Sokola	David.Sokola@delaware.gov
Senator Bryan Townsend	Bryan.Townsend@delaware.gov
Senator Elizabeth Lockman	Elizabeth.Lockman@delaware.gov
Senator Stephanie Hansen	Stephanie.Hansen@delaware.gov
Senator Gerald Hocker	Gerald.Hocker@delaware.gov
Senator Brian Pettyjohn	Brian.Pettyjohn@delaware.gov

Absent: None

Staff:

Valerie McCartan	Valerie.McCartan@delaware.gov
Abigail Armstrong	Abigail.Armstrong@delaware.gov

Attendees:

Alexa Adams
Bruce Leib
Cara Gannon
Carolyn Martin-Pettaway
Casey Tyndall
Deanna Killen
Deborah Gottschalk
Deborah Keenan
Deborah Stevens
Fran Strosser
Grace Kelley
Hon. Alan Davis
Jack Flynn
Jakarta Eckhart
Jamie Johnstone

Organization:

Senator Poore
Cape Henlopen HS
Leg Fellows
State of Delaware
Justice of the Peace Court
Delaware State Senate
Delaware State Senate
State of Delaware Judiciary
Delaware State Education Association

Justice of the Peace Court
Delaware State Senate
Family member of Terri Davis
Department of Finance

Janet Roberson	CGO
Joan Heilbron	
Keri Rapa	Delaware State Senate
Linnea Bradshaw	Professional Standards Board
Lori James	
Mary Davis	NDA
Matt Smith	
Michael Green	
Michelle Michini	PDO
Nicholas Brock	Law Student
Read Scott	Senator Townsend
Rebecca Calvello	Delaware State Senate
Rony Baltazar-Lopez	Delaware Department of State
Sarah Rosswog	
Terri Davis	

Agenda:

SB 182

Senator Sokola convened the meeting at 3:00 p.m. and conducted a roll call.

Senator Hocker motioned to accept the previous meeting's minutes of June 9, 2021, and **Senator Pettyjohn** seconded the motion.

The Committee approved the meeting's minutes of June 9, 2021.

The Executive Committee reviewed the gubernatorial nominations for Justice of the Peace Court for Sussex County, Justice of the Peace Court for Kent County, Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association, and Professional Standards Board.

I. SB 182 – Sen. Poore – AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 243, VOLUME 82 OF THE LAWS OF DELAWARE AND TITLE 30 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO AN EXTENSION OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION TAX CREDIT ACT.

Synopsis: Senate Bill No. 209, enacted by the 145th General Assembly, extended the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Act for approvals granted through June 30, 2020. Senate Bill No. 260, enacted by the 150th General Assembly, extended the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Act through June 2021. This Act extends the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Act for approvals granted through June 2030 and puts the provision regarding the effective date in the Code.

Senator Poore, Prime Sponsor of the legislation, presented on SB 182. This legislation focuses on the rehabilitation of historical buildings in Delaware, which are critical for the preservation of history, culture, and education. Senate Bill No. 209, enacted by the

145th General Assembly, extended the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Act for approvals granted through June 30, 2020. Senate Bill No. 260, enacted by the 150th General Assembly, extended the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Act through June 2021. This Act extends the Historic Preservation Tax Credit Act for approvals granted through June 2030. The amount of historic buildings in Delaware are not affordable for the state to restore on its own, so there are many private homeowners who restore the historical value of them. Senator Poore asked for the Committee's approval and consideration of the legislation.

Senator Sokola thanked Senator Poore for the legislation and recognized Senator Hansen.

Senator Hansen requested to be a Co-Sponsor of the legislation. Purchasing historical buildings is a labor of love and expensive. The historical buildings create a sense of community and everyone can benefit from them.

Senator Poore commented that people should visit Historic New Castle and the Leslie Manor, which are in her district.

There was no public comment.

SB 182 – Reported out of the Committee – 3 Favorable (Hansen, Hocker, Pettyjohn); 3 on its Merits (Sokola, Townsend, Lockman); 0 Unfavorable

Senator Lockman motioned to adjourn the meeting, and **Senator Pettyjohn** seconded the motion.

Senator Sokola adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

*Meeting minutes approved on Wednesday, June 23, 2021 on a motion by Sen. Lockman, seconded by Sen. Hocker, and with no objection from member of the committee.

Meeting Minute Preparation

Minutes prepared by Abigail Armstrong and Valerie McCartan, 6/22/2021