

MARLS POSITION ON SB195

Page 4, Line 17, - Having to deal with counties within 15 miles for what reason? Each County has its own government and it is enough of a challenge to get a county and a city together when the city is in the county. It is nearly impossible for a city to get together with all the counties it might have within 15 miles. The residents of the city have a right to work with their city government to accomplish what they want for there communities.

Page 5, Line 9, (1) "A growth jurisdiction shall adopt a growth policy" – Once again an attempt is being made to force counties to have a growth policy which they may not be able to afford and possibly not want. Currently there are 7 or 9 counties that have the required growth policy, that would fall under this bill.

Page 5, Line 24-28, (iv) – What if one or the other governing bodies refuse to "mediate" or do "binding arbitration"?

Page 6, Line 1-3, (vi) – What business is it of any local governments with 15 miles what a city or county chooses to do with a growth policy?

Page 6, Line 25-27, (vii) – Public facilities and expenditures are to be in accordance with the provisions of the growth policy. What is to be done about the existing facilities that need maintenance and replacement?

Page 6, Line 28-30, (viii) – The long-range planning and growth policy should be paid for with tax revenues not specialized fees. The entire population of a jurisdiction has a responsibility for such expenditures not just those providing needed buildings for the community. The expense of these items needs to be fully understood by the public and not hidden away in other permits, etc.

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