

Testimony of:
Paul G. Newby,
Sec./Treas. of the Association of Montana Aerial Applicators
before:
Senate Local Government Committee
Rm 472, 6:30 PM, 3/29/05

Re: HB 359

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee:

I am Paul G. Newby, Sec./Treasurer of the Association of Montana Aerial Applicators speaking here in their behalf. I am an Aerial applicator of 40 years experience, 46 years flying experience with over 25,000 hours, and 49 total years of work experience in my industry.

I see that the House of Representatives removed all but one of the provisions originally requested in this bill, and it appears to those of us in the application industry that empowering local government to add the one remaining requirement at their discretion is a considerable waste of local government's time and our tax dollars. I therefor suggest you either kill this bill in its entirety, or simply change current state law to incorporate the one remaining provision for statewide consistency. Burdening local government all over this state with that option and the time and cost of making such a decision appears to be a complete waste.

Thank you for your time and I hope your deliberations are short and productive.

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