TESTIMONY OF SANDERS COUNTY COMM.
PRESENTED BY SEN. ELLIOTT

SENATE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
EXHIBIT NO. 4
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BILL NO. SB 167

are good tools. The labor department regulations on type of construction are worrisome; I.E. double-wides & trailers for working families.

Senate bill 167 as written could be a terrible wreck for Sanders County and other Western Montana Counties.

1. Wildlands urban interface is not a well defined term. Sanders County has scattered population (perhaps most) already in the Wildland-Urban interface. Specific inventory takes time and money.

2. It is a huge unfunded mandate for counties already struggling with a shortage

of funds, personnel and office space.

3. It forces local government to zone and enforce land use to save the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation or their potential fire fighting costs that may happen anyway under many circumstances.

Could you testify? - or have this presented?

Thanks - Gail