

HB 60 -- REMOVAL OF WEEDS AND TRASH

SPONSOR: Engler

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Committee on Local Government by a vote of 19 to 0.

This bill authorizes the marshal or other designated official of the City of Farmington to order the abatement of weeds or trash without a hearing or notice to the property owner if there has been more than one previous violation on the same property within a growing season for weeds or within a calendar year for trash. The city may have them removed and the cost of removal billed on a special tax bill to be collected by the city collector with other taxes assessed against the property. These provisions do not apply to lands owned by a public utility and specified land controlled by a railroad.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill will save the City of Farmington money by not requiring it to give notice or hold a hearing regarding the removal of nuisance weeds and trash if there has been a previous violation during the same season.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Engler.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.