

HB 2181 -- STATE CAPITOL COMPLEX COMMITTEE

SPONSOR: Fitzpatrick

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Emerging Issues by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on General Laws by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill establishes the State Capitol Complex Committee which will consist of the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tem of the Senate, or their respective designated representatives. The committee must have general supervision and charge of the State Capitol Building, State Capitol parking garages, and any other current or future state-owned or leased buildings adjacent to or in the immediate vicinity of the State Capitol Building that house any offices of the General Assembly or its staff. The committee must meet at least annually and may hold special meetings when at least two of the committee members request it. Majority approval of the members of the committee is necessary to decide any action regarding the buildings or property under the purview of the committee.

This bill is the same as HCS HB 1063 (2015).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will allow the House and the Senate to participate in discussions about the building in which they reside and to help determine how the space would be best utilized and kept secured.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Fitzpatrick.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.