

**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. ____**

Introduced by: Bartlett

A RESOLUTION urging the legislative council to establish an interim study committee to study planning and zoning issues.

Whereas, It behooves the state of Indiana to study the following planning and zoning issues in order to improve the efficiency and accuracy of the current system: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. That the legislative council is urged to establish an
2 interim study committee to study the following planning and zoning
3 issues:
4 (1) Eliminating the review of zoning issues by certiorari and



- 1 establishing a judicial review procedure.
2 (2) Procedures for vacation of a plat, including any recorded
3 covenants.
4 (3) Allowing plan commissions to grant waivers from the
5 subdivision control ordinance.
6 (4) Proposed changes to the law regarding the following:
7 (A) Qualifications of citizen members of plan commissions
8 and boards of zoning appeals.
9 (B) Appointment of alternate members to all plan
10 commissions (instead of only area plan commissions).
11 (C) Disqualification of plan commission and board of
12 zoning appeals members due to financial interest or bias.
13 (D) Publication of zoning ordinances.
14 (E) Commitments and conditions.
15 (5) Maintaining current law allowing a plan commission to
16 delegate authority to its employees to perform ministerial acts in
17 all cases except where final action of the commission or board
18 of zoning appeals is required by law.
19 (6) Maintaining references in current law to hearing examiners.
20 (7) Allowing a plat committee to act on behalf of the plan
21 commission on subdivision applications.
22 (8) Allowing a plan commission to limit further considerations
23 of a plat or vacation request for not more than one year after the
24 disapproval of a request.
25 (9) Specifying that board of zoning appeals divisions may use
26 alternate members from other divisions.
27 (10) Providing that plat committee decisions must first be
28 appealed to the plan commission, with plan commission
29 decisions then appealed to the courts.
30 SECTION 2. That the committee shall operate under the direction
31 of the legislative council and shall issue a final report when directed to
32 do so by the council.

