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The Bavarian State Parliament's Committees



Many citizens associate the term “Bavarian State Parliament“ with the image of a plenary session in a plenary chamber. However, the standing committees that are appointed for the duration of the electoral term are just as important to the parliamentary work. Each of the currently 14 standing committees is responsible for one area of politics that its members specialise in. They advise on bills and motions and submit recommendations for a resolution. As a result, the committees prepare the content for the plenary session's meetings and decisions.

The committees can request the presence of any member of the state government at their meetings. State government members and their officers have access to committee meetings and must be heard at any time. The committees also deal with petitions and complaints from citizens and take a final vote on these.

All of the Bavarian State Parliament's parliamentary groups are represented on the committees, which have 14, 18 or 21 members depending on their field. At the same time, the political majorities on the committee must correspond to those in the Bavarian State Parliament's plenary. The committee chairmanships are also distributed across the parliamentary groups based on relative strength. The parliamentary groups then decide internally which member of Parliament they delegate to a committee and who should take over the chairmanship or vice chairmanship, as necessary. The committees generally hold public meetings.

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The Committee on Municipal Affairs, Internal Security and Sports



Chairman: Roland Weigert (FW)
Vice Chairman: Florian Siekmann (GRU)

Duties

The Committee on Municipal Affairs, Internal Security and Sports is one of fourteen permanent committees of the Bavarian State Parliament. 18 members of Parliament belong to the Committee on Municipal Affairs, Internal Security and Sports: eight CSU members, three members each from FREIE WÄHLER (FW), AfD and ALLIANCE 90/THE GREENS (GRU) and one SPD member.

The Committee on Municipal Affairs, Internal Security and Sports' area of responsibility is largely the same as that of the Bavarian State Ministry of the Interior, for Sport and Integration and therefore includes all issues that concern the municipalities (e.g. municipal taxes, contributions and charges, the municipalities' economic activity, securing municipal public services).

Its area of responsibility regarding security includes police matters and internal security (including civil protection, fire and rescue services). The committee is also responsible for all issues regarding sports.

Consultations in the field of internal security focus on measures for combating crime and the Office for the Protection of the Constitution (Verfassungsschutz). Both the constitutional protection report and the police crime statistics are presented annually in the committee by the Bavarian State Minister of the Interior, for Sport and Integration.

The committee organises expert hearings and on-site visits to prepare for decisions. Last but not least, the committee also regularly deals with petitions and complaints from citizens that fall within its area of responsibility.

Meetings

The meetings always take place on Wednesdays during sitting weeks. They are convened and chaired by the chairman. Besides the committee members and head of the committee office, state government representatives responsible for the specific agenda items also attend.

With important political issues, responsible members of the government are also present. The Bavarian State Parliament's shorthand writers' service documents the meetings.