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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.

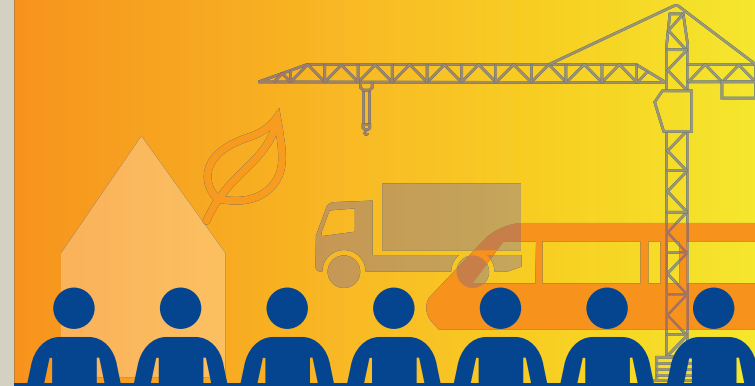
All of the Bavarian State Parliament's parliamentary groups are represented on the committees, which have 14, 18 or 21 members depending on their field. At the same time, the political majorities on the committee must correspond to those in the Bavarian State Parliament's plenary. The committee chairmanships 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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## Committee on Housing, Building and Transport



**Bayerischer Landtag**

## The Committee on Housing, Building and Transport



**Chairman: Jürgen Baumgärtner (CSU)**  
**Vice Chairman: Werner Schießl (FW)**

### Duties

The Committee on Housing, Building and Transport is one of the Bavarian State Parliament's 14 standing committees. It has a total of 18 members of Parliament: eight CSU members, three members each from FREIE WÄHLER (FW), AfD and Alliance 90/The Greens (GRU) and one SPD member.

Since the 18th electoral term, a separate committee has been dedicated to the topics of Housing, Building and Transport for the first time and is intensively examining the current challenges and opportunities in these policy areas. In doing so, the committee takes into account the different characteristics of rural and urban areas alike in order to ensure a liveable and sustainable future for our citizens everywhere in Bavaria. Together, we will achieve positive change for today and tomorrow.

The committee's responsibilities are essentially the same as that of the State Ministry of Housing, Building and Transport, whose work it accompanies, monitors and supports.

In the areas of Housing and Building the committee focuses on planning and construction technology, housing, urban development subsidies, land use and the future of housing. The policy area of Transport includes road and bridge construction, rail infrastructure, train stations, as well as railways and rail expansion. The committee also deals with rail passenger traffic and public transport as well as air transport and aviation security, freight transport, shipping and ports, bicycle traffic and road traffic licensing regulations.

The committee supports the Bavarian State Parliament's plenary with the preliminary consultation of motions and bills as well as with the preparation of appropriate resolutions.

In special cases, the committee may also hold expert hearings to prepare for decisions. Furthermore, it advises and decides on citizens' petitions and complaints that fall within its area of responsibility.

### Meetings

The meetings always take place on Tuesdays 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.