

Approved

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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Elections

The meeting was called to order by Representative Richard L. Harper at  
Chairperson

9:00 am a.m./p.m. on Thursday, February 2, 1984 in room 521-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Fox, excused; and  
Representative Grotewiel, excused;

Committee staff present: Myrta Anderson, Legislative Research Department  
Arden Ensley, Revisor  
Eric Rucker, Secretary of State's Office  
Dottie Musselman, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: None

Chairperson Harper called the meeting to order. First on the agenda for the meeting today was SB 340, An Act relating to elections; concerning district committees of congressional districts. The Chairperson stated that the Committee had delayed final action on this bill as last year there appeared to be some controversy, and he wanted all of the committee members to have time to contact interested people in their own districts.

Representative Knopp made a motion to favorably pass out of Committee SB 340. Seconded by Representative Acheson.

Following a lengthy discussion on this bill, Representative Justice made a substitute motion to allow time for drawing up an amendment which would eliminate the branding of persons which locks out a large block of voters in the primary. This motion was seconded by Representative Dean. Motion failed.

At this time Chairperson Harper asked that the Committee members go back to the original motion made by Representative Knopp to favorably pass SB 340 out of Committee. By a show of hands vote the motion carried.

Representative Justice wished to be recorded as voting no on the above motion.

Next on the agenda was HB 2774, An Act relating to political parties; concerning precinct committeemen and committeewomen.

Representative Baker made a motion to pass HB 2774 out of Committee favorably. Seconded by Representative Knopp.

At this time Representative Blumenthal made a substitute motion to change lines 27 and 33 to 60,000 rather than the 100,000. Seconded by Representative Dean. This substitute motion failed.

The Chairperson asked that the Committee go back to the original motion made by Representative Baker to pass HB 2774 out of Committee favorably, and that motion being seconded by Representative Knopp. At this time, the motion carried.

A motion was made by Representative Dean to approve the minutes of the January 30 and 31 meetings. Seconded by Representative Moomaw. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.