

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 21, 1985 in room 521-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Foster, excused
Representative Guldner, excused

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

Conferees appearing before the committee:

David P. Mikesic, Judge, Division
Wyandotte County District Court

Chairperson Harper called the meeting to order and announced that HB 2346 was the first order of business for today. The Honorable David P. Mikesic, Judge, Wyandotte County District Court, and a former State Representative and a brother of Representative Mary Jane Johnson, was now recognized.

HB 2346 - An Act relating to the campaign finance act; concerning the filing of certain reports. Judge Mikesic came before the committee in support of this bill. This bill simply excludes the filing fee from the \$500 that any candidate may or may not spend for an election. After a short discussion, the hearing was closed on HB 2346.

Representative Johnson made a motion to favorably pass out of committee HB 2346. Seconded by Representative Wilbert. Motion carried.

At this time Chairperson Harper interrupted the meeting to introduce visitors who had been sitting in on the meeting. The towns of El Dorado, Concordia, Wichita Northwest, and the Kansas City area were represented. The group of students were visiting today to learn more about local government.

HB 2291, a request of the Kansas League of Municipalities, was next on the docket for today. This bill deals with residency requirements of candidates for city offices. Following a brief discussion on HB 2291, Representative Blumenthal made a motion to amend the bill by changing the word "commencement" to "filing" throughout the bill. There being a tie vote by a show of hands, the Chairperson voted "nay", thus the motion failed.

Representative Baker made the motion to favorably pass HB 2291 out of committee. Seconded by Representative Knopp. Motion carried.

Representative Crumbaker made the motion to accept the minutes of the February 19, 1985, meeting. Seconded by Representative Justice. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.