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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE, JUDICIAL, AND CONGRESSIONAL
APPORTIONMENT

The meeting was called to order by Representative Ed Bideau at
Chairperson

11:30 a.m./~~p.m.~~ on February 5, 1987 in room 529 - S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Buntin and Shore - excused.

Committee staff present:

Mary Galligan, Research
Raney Gilliland, Research
Arden Ensley, Revisors
Robert Coldsnow, Legislative Counsel
Kay Coen, Secretary to the Committee
Conferees appearing before the committee:

The committee considered and discussed proposed amendments which corrected almost all concerns expressed by the conferees. The concern of the Shawnee County Election Officer concerning suggested boundaries which cross district lines was considered and discussed and weighed against the need for prompt completion of the boundary project by January 1, 1988. No proposed amendment was made to delay implementation of the effective date and deadline for boundary adjustment.

The committee proceeded to discussion and possible action on HB 2039.

The chairman called upon Robert Coldsnow who presented a chart (attachment 1) for consideration with possible amendments in order to address concerns of the conferees. Discussion followed.

Following discussion, Representative Roe moved for the adoption of the amendments drafted by Robert Coldsnow, Legislative Counsel, seconded by Representative Hensley. The motion carried.

Representative Williams moved that HB 2039 be reported favorable for passage as amended; seconded by Representative Justice. The motion carried unanimously. (Attachment 2)

There being no further business to discuss, the committee adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

HOUSE BILL No. 2039

By Special Committee on Legislative Apportionment

Re Proposal No. 21

12-15

0017 AN ACT relating to elections; concerning the establishment and
0018 changing of election precincts; and prescribing certain powers
0019 and duties of the state and county election officers in relation
0020 thereto.

0021 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

0022 Section 1. Election precincts in all counties of the state shall
0023 be established or changed by county election officers in such a
0024 manner that:

0025 (a) Each election precinct as nearly as practicable shall be
0026 composed of contiguous and compact areas having clearly ob-
0027 servable boundaries ~~and wholly contained within any larger~~
0028 district from which any municipal, ~~county, school district or state~~
0029 officers are elected; and

0030 (b) election precincts for election purposes shall be desig-
0031 nated consecutively in the county by number

0032 Sec. 2. No election precinct shall be created, divided, abol-
0033 ished or consolidated or the boundaries thereof changed during
0034 the period four months prior to each primary election and the
0035 succeeding general election or between January 1 of any year
0036 whose last digit is 8 and December 1 of any year whose last digit
0037 is 0.

0038 Sec. 3. (a) Each county election officer shall provide and
0039 maintain a suitable map ~~drawn to a scale no smaller than 1/2 mile~~
0040 to the inch ~~and clearly delineating all major observable features~~
0041 such as roads, streams, and railway lines ~~and showing the current~~
0042 geographical boundaries of each election precinct, representa-
0043 tive district and senatorial district in the county. A word de-
0044 scription of the geographical boundaries shall be attached to

using visible
ground features which meet the requirements of the
federal bureau of the census"

township or

or name, or a combination of name and number

unless required by the creation of a
political subdivision or alteration of a political
subdivision by annexation, or unless required to
conform to a federal census block boundary established
by the federal bureau of the census

or maps

in incorporated
places and urban areas and no smaller than one mile to
the inch in rural areas

or other visible
ground features which meet the requirements of the
federal bureau of the census for use as census block
boundaries

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0045 each map. Such map, with attached description, shall be a public
0046 record.

0047 (b) Each county election officer shall send a copy of each
0048 map/with attached description to the secretary of state no later
0049 than January 1, 1988. Such copies shall be public records.

or maps

0050 (c) The county election officer shall notify the secretary of
0051 state in writing within 30 days following any changes in the
0052 designation of polling places or changes in the boundaries or the
0053 reorganization of election precincts and shall furnish a copy of
0054 the map/showing the current geographical boundaries, designa-
0055 tion and word description of each new election precinct.

or maps

0056 Sec. 4. The secretary of state shall serve as the state liaison
0057 with the federal bureau of the census on matters relating to the
0058 tabulation of the population.

0059 Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and
0060 after its publication in the statute book.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Legislative, Judicial and Congressional Apportionment

Recommends that House Bill No. 2039

"AN ACT relating to elections; concerning the establishment and changing of election precincts; and prescribing certain powers and duties of the state and county election officers in relation thereto."

Be amended:

On page 1, in line 27, after the word "boundaries" by inserting "using visible ground features which meet the requirements of the federal bureau of the census"; in line 28, preceding the word "county" by inserting "township or"; also in line 28, by striking all after the word "county"; in line 31, preceding the period, by inserting "or name, or a combination of name and number"; in line 37, preceding the period by inserting "unless required by the creation of a political subdivision or alteration of a political subdivision by annexation, or unless required to conform to a federal census block boundary established by the federal bureau of the census"; in line 39, after the word "map" by inserting "or maps"; in line 40, after the word "inch" by inserting "in incorporated places and urban areas and no smaller than one mile to the inch in rural areas"; in line 41, after the word "lines" by inserting "or other visible ground features which meet the requirements of the federal bureau of the census for use as census block boundaries";

On page 2, in line 48, after the word "map" by inserting "or maps"; in line 54, after the word "map" by inserting "or maps";

And the bill be passed as amended.


Chairperson