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MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND ELECTIONS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Marvin Smith at 9:00 a.m. on January 11, 1994 in Room 521-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Tom Bishop
Representative Herman Dillon

Committee staff present: Carolyn Rampey, Legislative Research Department
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department
Arden Ensley, Revisor of Statutes
Nancy Kippes, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State

Others attending: See attached list

Representative Marvin Smith, Chairman, called the meeting to order and proceeded with introductions of staff, new members of the committee and past committee members. He expressed his wish that the committee extend every courtesy to the public (constituents) as they appear before the committee hearings.

Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, appeared before the committee to request several bills be introduced. The first bill request would allow the voter to sign his name at the poll before voting, which would possibly eliminate one of the poll books and possibly an election officer without reducing security. The second bill request was to require each election board judge to receive training and pass that on to other members of the election board before election. The third bill request was that there be an early voting location to help reduce the lines at the polls on election day. This would be an extension of the absentee voting provision.

Representative Wells moved to have these bills introduced. Representative O'Connor seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 1994.

