

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barbara P. Allen at 1:30 p.m. on March 17, 2003 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes
Mike Heim, Legislative Research
Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research
Nancy Kirkwood, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending: See attached list

Action on **HB 2288, HB 2003, HB 2201**

HB 2288 - Elections; changes to comply with Help America Vote Act of 2002

Chairperson Allen brought the committee's attention to taking action on HB 2288. She informed the committee of the amendments brought by the Secretary of State's office when HB 2288 was heard. The first is page 11 line 33, delete remaining and insert "in line" and also on page 12, line 9. The second would be on page 11, line 36 "after provisional ballot" insert "unless the ballot is challenged for a separate reason", page 12, line 12, the same change after provisional ballot. The third is to strike lines 39 and 40 on page 11 and strike lines 15 and 16 on page 12.

Senator Schmidt moved to adopt the Secretary of State's three amendments and Senator Clark's change on page 9 line 3, strike "a" and insert "the voter's". Senator Buhler seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Senator Clark made a conceptual motion, on page 9, line 4, after card to insert "or voters registration card issued by the election office" seconded by Senator Buhler. The motion carried.

Senator O'Connor moved to amend page 9, line 4, after "card" insert "and meets or exceeds federal requirements". Senator Schmidt seconded the motion and the motion carried.

On **HB 2288** as amended Senator Buhler made a motion to move **HB 2288** out favorably, seconded by Senator O'Connor. A division was called. It passed on a 5-4 hand count.

HB 2201 - Fires and explosions; persons who may investigate

Senator Clark moved to adopt the amendment from the Kansas State Fire Marshal, seconded by Senator Buhler. The motion carried. Senator Clark moved to pass **HB 2201** out favorably as amended. Seconded by Senator O'Connor, the motion carried.

HB 2003 -Rural water supply districts; acquisition of system by adjoining municipality

Senator Clark made a motion on page 2 line 9 to change the 20% provision back to 10%. Senator Jackson seconded the motion. The motion carried. Senator O'Connor moved to pass **HB 2201** favorably as amended, seconded by Senator Jackson and the motion carried.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for tomorrow, Tuesday, March 18.

