

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ELECTIONS AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Burgess at 3:30 P.M. on February 20, 2007 in Room 231-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

- Representative Tom Sawyer- excused
- Representative Mike Peterson- excused

Committee staff present:

- Martha Dorsey, Legislative Research Department
- Matt Spurgin, Legislative Research Department
- Mike Heim, Revisor of Statutes Office
- Maureen Stinson, Committee Assistant

Conferees appearing before the committee:

None

Others attending:

See attached list.

Rep. Eber Phelps was in attendance at the meeting and sitting in for Rep. Tom Sawyer.

**HB 2082** Initiative and referendum; extended to counties

Rep. Otto made a motion for the favorable passage of **HB 2082**. Rep. Brunk seconded the motion. Rep. Menghini made a substitute motion to remove the 15 percent requirement for signatures and to replace with a requirement of 25 percent. Rep. Lane seconded the motion. The substitute motion by Rep. Menghini passed. Rep. Brunk made a motion for the favorable passage of **HB 2082** as amended. Rep. Lane seconded the motion. Rep. Menghini made a substitute motion that the governing body shall submit the ordinance or resolution, without alteration, to the vote of the electors of the city or county at the next regular election scheduled no sooner than 90 days thereafter. Rep. Lane seconded the motion. Rep. Menghini's substitute motion passed. Rep. Brunk made a motion for the favorable passage of **HB 2082** as amended. Rep. Lane seconded the motion. Motion passed. Representatives Beamer, Storm, Metsker, Spalding asked to be recorded as "No" votes.

**HB 2409** Campaign finance; certain reporting requirements

Rep. Horst made a motion to adopt amendments to clarify language in the bill to shorten the new reporting period ending day. Rep. Spalding seconded the motion. Motion passed. Chairman Burgess made a motion to amend the bill further by adding an exception from the new reporting requirement for contributions made by a candidate to the candidate's own campaign. Rep. Horst seconded the motion. The motion passed. Rep. Huebert made a motion for the favorable passage of **HB 2409** as amended. Rep. Brunk seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned.

