

Approved: 3-22-07
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Tim Huelskamp at 1:30 P.M. on February 6, 2007 in Room 423-S of the Capitol.

All members except Senator Wilson were present.

Committee staff present:

Martha Dorsey, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Matt Spurgin, Kansas Legislative Research Department
Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes
Zoie Kern, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Ron Thornbough - Secretary of State

Others attending:

See attached list.

Ron Thornbough began with saying we are only 11 months away from the primary. He stated we don't know what the process will look like, nor the rules, but we are asked to play.

The decision making process for the Presidential Primary will engage Kansas current law - Presidential Preference Primary hosts to be 5 other states holding elections at the same time. We need to consider the elements, where Kansas should go. We cannot be the state that goes first. It is a winnowing process. Waiting for the best placement for Kansas with 5 other states. It has to be the right 5 to give Kansas the advantage.

Authority is given to the Secretary of States office to decide the placement, other states it is the Legislature. He then referred to (Attachment 1) disclosing dates already set by other states. He wants Kansas Regional Primary to be tied in with neighboring states if possible.

Mr. Thornbough stated Kansan's need to be apart of the decision process and is therefore forming a Commission. The Governor will choose one former (who has participated in presidential primaries) and one presently experienced representative. Mr. Thornbough will also appoint two people and he will chair the Commission. The commission will meet in the spring after others have made there announcements. The filing deadline is February 12, 2008.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Zoie C. Kern, Committee Secretary

Senate Elections and Local Government Committee

Daily, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Room 423S

Senator Tim Huelskamp, Chair

Guest List for 2/06, 2007

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Name

Representing

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WICHITA EALLE

Brad Bryant

Sec. of State

Ron Thornbach

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Schedule:

Already Set

Iowa: 1/14/08
South Carolina: 1/29/08
Alabama: 2/5/08
Delaware: 2/5/08
Oklahoma: 2/5/08
Utah: 2/5/06
Georgia: 3/4/08
Massachusetts: 3/4/08
Minnesota: 3/4/08
North Dakota: 3/4/08
Vermont: 3/4/08
Rhode Island: 3/11/08
Mississippi: 3/11/08
Indiana: 5/6/08
West Virginia: 5/13/08
Nebraska: 5/13/08
Oregon: 5/20/08
Idaho: 5/27/08
South Dakota: 6/3/08

Still Deciding

Alaska
Arizona
Arkansas
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Florida
Hawaii
Illinois
Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Michigan
Missouri
Montana
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
Ohio
Pennsylvania
Tennessee
Texas
Virginia
Washington
Washington DC
Wisconsin
Wyoming

Jan-08

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Iowa	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 South Carolina	30	31			

Feb-08

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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4	5 Alabama Delaware Oklahoma Utah	6	7	8	9	10
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Mar-08

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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3	4 Georgia Massachusetts Minnesota North Dakota Vermont	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Rhode Island Mississippi	12	13	14	15	16
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Apr-08

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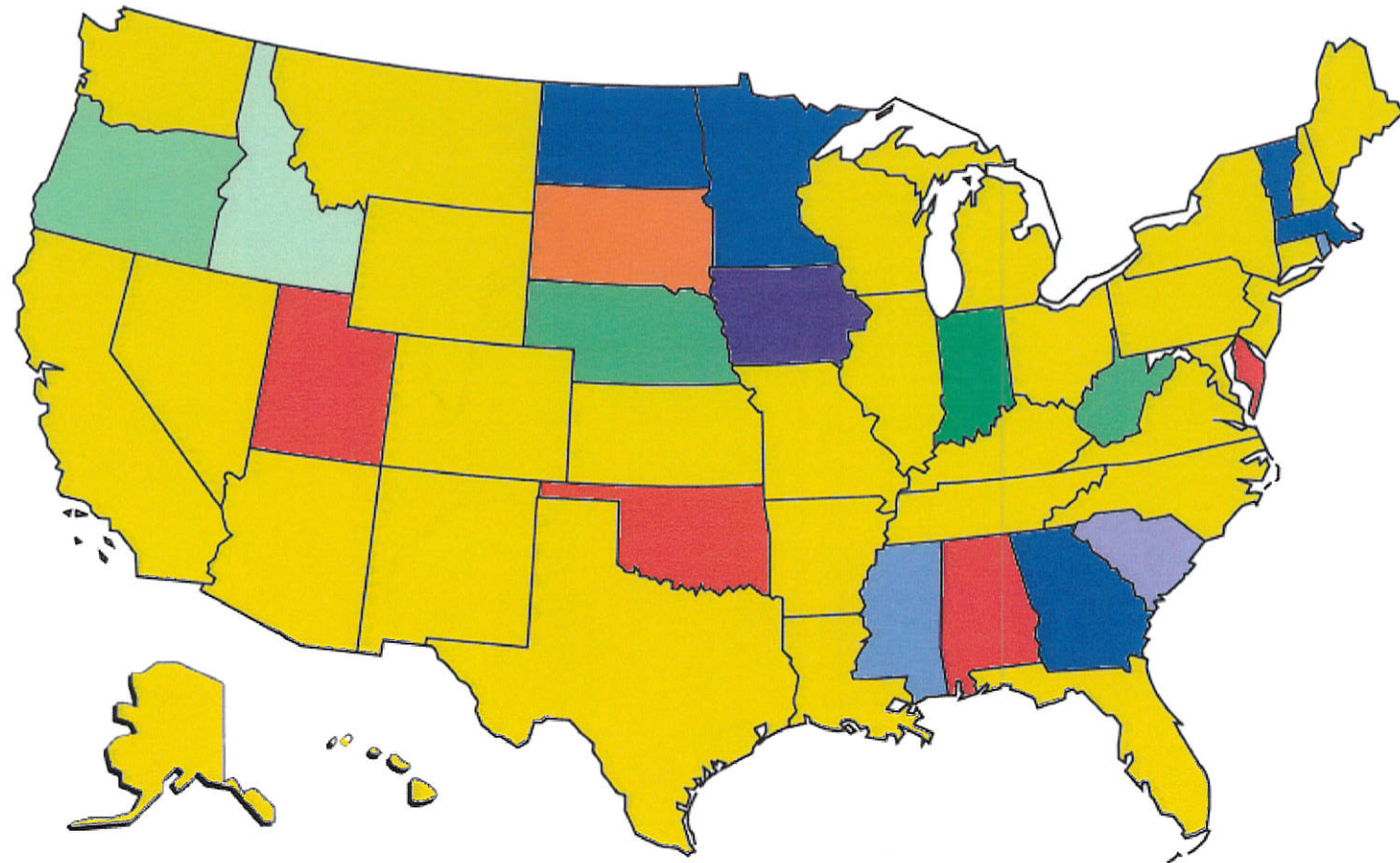
May-08

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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12	13 West Virginia Nebraska	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27 Idaho	28	29	30	31	

Jun-08

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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2	3 South Dakota	4	5	6	7	8
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Presidential Preference Primary Dates



- Still deciding
- January 14, 2008
- January 29, 2008
- February 5, 2008
- March 4, 2008
- March 11, 2008
- May 6, 2008
- May 13, 2008
- May 20, 2008
- May 27, 2008
- June 3, 2008