HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES, ELECTIONS, AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Thursday, April 29, 1999 Hearing Room D

3:30 P.M. Tapes 49 - 52

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Mark Simmons, Chair

Rep. Richard Devlin, Vice-Chair
Rep. Bruce Starr, Vice-Chair
Rep. Jason Atkinson
Rep. Chris Beck
Rep. Roger Beyer
Rep. Randall Edwards
Rep. Dan Gardner
Rep. Kevin Mannix
Rep. Kitty Piercy
Rep. Jim Welsh
Rep. Max Williams

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT: Cletus B. Moore, Jr., Administrator

Kevin E. Wells, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD: HB 2001 Work Session

HB 3040 Public Hearing and Work Session HB 2001 Work Session HB 2585 Public Hearing and Work Session SB 368A Public Hearing and Work Session

TAPE/#	Speaker	Comments
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002	Chair Simmons	Calls the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m. Opens Work Session HB 2001. Asks for staff summary and a review from the work group.
<u>HB 2001 W</u>	VORK SESSION	
014	Cletus Moore	Administrator. Introduces the ñ5 amendments (EXHIBIT A) and the hand engrossed version of HB 2001 reflecting the ñ5 amendments (EXHIBIT B).
023	Rep. Beck	Asks if the vote by mail provision is from another bill.
025	Moore	States that provision is an amendment.
026	Rep. Beck	Asks if the provision was heard as part of another bill.
027	Chair Simmons	States that is correct.
029	Moore	Continues to review HB 2001 section by section.
076	Rep. Beck	Asks about section 8. Asks what the intent is behind requiring the operation of voting booths.
082	Vice-Chair Starr	Explains the intention is to provide privacy and secrecy when voting.
090	Rep. Edwards	Explains voting booths will not be run in lieu of drop off sites.
095	Moore	Continues to review the provisions of HB 2001 with the ñ5 amendments.
114	Rep. Beck	Asks for background on changing the timing of mailing ballots.
117	Moore	Explains that the earliest ballots can be mailed out is 15 days before the election and the latest they can be mailed is 14 days before the election.
130	Vice-Chair Devlin	States that he will propose an amendment to this provision.

135	Rep. Beck	Asks for clarification on the timing of mailing ballots. Asks why the window of time is being shortened.
142	Moore	Comments on the decision to shorten the window of time that ballots are in circulation.
152	Rep. Beck	Asks for the rationale for shortening the window of time that the ballots are in circulation.
153	Vice-Chair Starr	Explains that the workgroup wanted to narrow the amount of time that people have their ballot. Notes that vote by mail also extends the length of time that a candidate has to campaign.
166	Rep. Edwards	States the workgroup wanted to shorten the length of campaigns. Adds that shortening the window also addresses voter fraud.
173	Rep. Williams	Explains the negative impacts of having ballots circulate so long.
188	Vice-Chair Devlin	Agrees with Rep. Williamsis comments. Explains that he believes that the window has been shortened too much, so he will offer an amendment to expand the time frame to mail the ballots.
212	Moore	Concludes the review of HB 2001 with the ñ5 amendments.
215	Chair Simmons	Thanks the work group for their work. Asks Colleen Sealock to testify.
227	Colleen Sealock	Director, Elections Division. States that the ñ5 amendments are technically sound. Expresses concern that the vote by mail window may have been narrowed too much. Notes that isolating certain portions of the electorate for special mailings will increase the cost of vote by mail and may present other problems. Supports Vice-Chair Devlinis proposed conceptual amendment.
267	Rep. Edwards	Asks if Sealock believes that all ballots can be mailed on the 18 th day before an election.
283	Sealock	Notes that the committee worked on a very complex issue. Discusses the benefits of mailing on the 18 th day before an election. States it will work for all of the electorate.
309	Rep. Williams	States it is interesting what communities do not receive daily mail delivery. States that the cost of an extra mailing is not prohibitive, but supports Vice-Chair Devlinís proposed amendment.
324	Chair Simmons	Notes that most of his district does not receive daily mail delivery.

330	Georgette Brown	Josephine County Clerk. Expresses concern about the window of time for mailing ballots. Discusses the time it takes for delivery in some places. Discusses the problems caused by two separate ballot mailings.
375	Brown	Comments on security problems caused by shortening the window to 15 days.
385	Chair Simmons	Asks if the mail was dropped on the 18 th day before the election, does that address Brownís concerns about security.
386	Brown	States that resolves the problems she anticipates.
390	Rep. Edwards	Asks if every ballot should be mailed on the 18 th day before an election. Asks if that means that everyone would get their ballot on Monday.
396	Brown	Explains most people would get it on the Monday, but some would not.
401	Rep. Edwards	Asks what efforts are made to let people know when ballots have to be returned.
414	Brown	Explains that Josephine County makes public service announcements on when ballots need to be returned.
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005	Harry Demarest	Astro Research. Discusses the technical issues of creating a centralized voter registration database (EXHIBIT C). Stresses that a statewide database will have to be funded adequately.
040	Fred Huette	Sunlight Data Systems. Emphasizes that the counties are handling the data flow very well. Discusses technical issues of creating a centralized voter database. Discusses the benefits of having easy access to voter registration data.
062	Rep. Edwards	Notes that legislators do not work with the formatting of the database. Asks Huette and Demarest to work with the Secretary of Stateis office.
090	Rep. Devlin	MOTION: Moves to FURTHER AMEND the HB 2001-5 amendments dated 4/29/99 on page 3, line 12, by deleting "15th" after "[20th]" and on page 3, line 12, by inserting "18th" after "[20th]".
097	Rep. Edwards	Asks if the reference to the 20 th day in line 22 need to be amended.
		States that it does not need to be amended.

110	Rep. Edwards	Noting that this is a first step, expresses desire to further tighten the window for circulating ballots.
115	Chair Simmons	States that the issue can be re-examined in the future.
116		VOTE: 10-0 EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Piercy
117	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
118	Rep. Devlin	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2001-5 amendments AS AMENDMED dated 4/29/99.
125	Rep. Gardner	Asks if there is a fiscal impact for HB 2001 for the ñ5 amendment.
126	Chair Simmons	States there is not an additional fiscal statement at this time.
140	Chair Simmons	Asks if there is separate funding source for HB 2001. Asks Sealock to discuss HB 2001is funding issue.
145	Sealock	Comments on the original fiscal impact. States that the ñ5 amendment does not substantially change the fiscal impact.
153	Chair Simmons	Asks if the money is being allocated in the budget.
155	Sealock	Responds that the money has not been allocated. States that funds need to be attached to HB 2001.
158	Chair Simmons	Asks for clarification from Legislative Fiscal Office on whether HB 2001 needs to be referred to Ways and Means.
151	Rep. Beck	Expresses concern about coupling vote by mail changes with the centralized voter registration system.
171	Vice-Chair Devlin	Suggests HB 2001 be sent to the floor and use other vehicles to separate the provisions later if needed.
181	Chair Simmons	Comments that HB 2001 can be referred to Ways and Means from the floor if needed.

183	Adrienne Sexton	Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Fiscal Office. Explains that HB 2001 has a subsequent referral to Ways and Means.
190	Rep. Beck	Suggests that the vote by mail provisions should be moved into a vehicle without a fiscal impact.
195	Vice-Chair Devlin	Explains that HB 2001 can be sent to Ways and Means, who can send it to the floor without funding, where it can be passed with all the vote by mail provisions.
203	Rep. Gardner	Comments that without funding HB 2001 is a moot point.
204		VOTE: 10-0 EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Piercy
205	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
210	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves HB 2001 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means by prior reference.
		VOTE: 10-0 EXCUSED: 2 - Beyer, Piercy
213	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
		REPS. SNODGRASS and EDWARDS will lead discussion on the floor.
217	Chair Simmons	Closes Work Session HB 2001. Opens Public Hearing HB 3040.
<u>HB 3040</u>	PUBLIC HEARING	
225	Rep. Jim Hill	District 5. Testifies in support of HB 3040. Explains the benefits of using Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for policy decisions. Discusses the importance of having the State Service Center for Geographic Information Systems (SSCGIS) in the Legislature. Discusses the use of private data sets and public access to SSCGIS data sets.

279	Teresa Valentine	Manager of SSCGIS. Explains some of the data sets available.
300	Rep. Hill	Explains why it is important for the Legislature to have easy access to SSCGIS. Notes that GIS allows legislators to visually see the effect of policy changes.
339	Rep. Gardner	Asks if HB 3040 just changes who charges for SSCGIS services.
341	Rep. Hill	Replies that is correct. Adds that the Legislature has no funding to pay for the service without HB 3040. Stresses this will not impact any agencyís use of SSCGIS.
362	Rep. Gardner	Asks if the Legislature could just fund legislative use of SSCGIS as it currently operates.
364	Rep. Hill	Responds that option would work. Expresses a preference for transferring control of SSCGIS to the Legislature. Explains that the Legislature pays for the service no matter where the service is.
400	Rep. Hill	States that the current structure of the service is not easily accessible to the Legislature. Emphasizes that SSCGIS is a valuable policy making tool.
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001	Chair Simmons	Asks about other available data sets.
005	Valentine	Discusses the data sets that are available on-line.
013	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks if there are data sharing procedures in place.
018	Valentine	Explains the data sharing arrangements in with other agencies.
024	Vice-Chair Devlin	Emphasizes the usefulness of GIS.
037	Chair Simmons	Asks what the fiscal impact of HB 3040 is.
039	Rep. Hill	States there is no fiscal impact.
048	Rep. Gardner	Asks where SSCGIS would be located physically.
	Rep. Hill	Replies that he is unsure.

050	Rep. Gardner	Asks if the bi-annual sessions would under utilize SSCGIS. Asks if HB 3040 would make agency access to SSCGIS more difficult.
057	Rep. Hill	Responds that the Capitol is centrally located to other state agencies. Stresses that HB 3040 is a positive step for policy decisions in Oregon.
070	Valentine	Points out that the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) submitted written testimony (EXHIBIT D).
073	Chair Simmons	Notes that the agency submitted written testimony as well as 1000 Friends of Oregon (EXHIBIT E). Asks Rep. Hill to clarify his conceptual amendment.
077	Rep. Hill	Explains why the amendment is needed.
082	Rep. Edwards	Asks if the Legislature taking over a function of the executive branch is unprecedented.
084	Rep. Hill	Replies that he does not know.
086	Rep. Edwards	Asks for clarification on the problem that Rep. Hill is trying to address.
090	Rep. Hill	Explains that HB 3040 makes it easier for legislators to use GIS.
115	Chair Simmons	Closes Public Hearing HB 3040. Opens Work Session HB 3040.
<u>HB 3040 \</u>	WORK SESSION	π
119	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves to AMEND HB 3040 on page 2, to delete lines 26 to 28.
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120	Rep. Gardner	Asks about fiscal impact and the details of moving SSCGIS.
130	Dave Henderson	Legislative Administrator. Explains that the costs of transferring control of SSCGIS to the Legislature have not been determined.
134	Rep. Gardner	Asks about the various data hookups and other needed equipment.
141	Vice-Chair Starr	Asks if SSCGIS needs to move or if HB 3040 merely transfers control.
144	Rep. Gardner	Responds that it is unclear, but testimony indicated a physical move.

146	Rep. Hill	States it is just an assumption that SSCGIS would move to the capitol.
158	Rep. Edwards	Suggests that the language of the bill orders a physical transfer.
161	Rep. Hill	Explains that the transfer of equipment does not mean that SSCGIS has to move from one facility to another.
175	Rep. Beck	States he would like to hear from DAS. Expresses concern that the Legislature could politicize this service.
187	Chair Simmons	States that Legislative Administration is professional and non-partisan.
193	Rep. Beck	Agrees that is generally true, but that occasionally aspects of the Legislature become too politicized.
207	Chair Simmons	Asks if there is consensus to amend HB 3040. Outlines the conceptual amendment.
217	Rep. Beck	States that he will not impede the vote on the conceptual amendment.
222	Rep. Hill	Sympathizes with Rep. Beckís concerns. Notes that political decisions exist in the executive branch. Stresses that HB 3040 is not intended to be a political decision, but to improve the Legislature.
257	Rep. Beck	Restates concern about politicizing access to maps.
267		VOTE: 11-0 EXCUSED: 1 - Piercy
273	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
276	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves HB 3040 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
280	Vice-Chair Devlin	States he will vote no. Notes that eventually Ways and Means will have to work on the funding and appropriations related to HB 3040.
287	Rep. Mannix	Explains Ways and Means takes note of relevant legislation.
300		VOTE: 7-4

306	Vice-Chair Devlin	AYE: 7 - Atkinson, Beyer, Mannix, Starr, Welsh, Williams, SimmonsNAY: 4 - Beck, Devlin, Edwards, GardnerEXCUSED: 1 - PiercyStates for the record that there is a great benefit to the Legislature utilizing GIS
	Chair Simmons	data set better. The motion CARRIES.
		REP. HILL will lead discussion on the floor.
329	Chair Simmons	Notes that the Speakerís Office has authorized rescinding the subsequent referral to Ways and Means on HB 2001. Reopens Work Session HB 2001.
<u>HB 2001 W</u>	ORK SESSION	
336	Rep. Starr	MOTION: Moves to SUSPEND the rules for the purpose of RECONSIDERATION OF A PREVIOUS VOTE.
		VOTE: 11-0 EXCUSED: 1 - Piercy
340	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
359	Rep. Mannix	MOTION: Moves to RECONSIDER the vote which "Moves HB 2001 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and BE REFERRED to the committee on Ways and Means by prior reference".
		VOTE: 11-0 EXCUSED: 1 - Piercy
370	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
395	Rep. Mannix	MOTION: Moves HB 2001 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation and SUBSEQUENT REFERRAL to the committee on Ways and Means BE RESCINDED.

399	Vice-Chair Devlin	Thanks staff and Vice-Chair Starr for the work on HB 2001.
405		VOTE: 10-0
		EXCUSED: 2 - Beck, Piercy
420	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
		REPS. SNODGRASS and EDWARDS will lead discussion on the floor.
422	Chair Simmons	Closes Work Session HB 2001. Opens Public Hearing HB 2585. Notes amendments (EXHIBIT F and G).
<u>HB 2585</u>	PUBLIC HEARING	π
425	Rep. Mannix	District 32. Testifies in support of HB 2585.
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001	Rep. Mannix	Explains why HB 2585 is needed. Discusses conflict of interest law.
046	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks for clarification on having to declare a conflict of interest only one time.
057	Rep. Mannix	Explains that one has to declare the existence of a conflict each time it comes up, but only once per topic or given matter.
067	Rep. Edwards	Asks about the language "or should have known."
073	Rep. Mannix	Explains that "should have known" is a process in proof. States it is a test for someone who attempts to fabricate lack of knowledge.
088	Rep. Beck	Asks about the deletion of section 3 of HB 2585, where a public official has to explain the nature of a possible conflict if asked by another member of the governing body.
094	Rep. Mannix	Explains the ñ1 amendment allows anyone to ask what the nature of the conflict is, not only members of the governing body.
108	Rep. Williams	Supports HB 2585. Comments on conflicts of interest. Suggests that staff check for conflicts with other legislation.

125	Lloyd Marbet	On Behalf of Dan Meek (EXHIBIT H) . Opposes HB 2585. Examines HB 2585ís provisions.
185	Marbet	Discusses HB 2585. States that HB 2585 significantly weakens conflict of interest disclosure requirements.
195	Vice-Chair Starr	Closes Public Hearing HB 2585. Opens Work Session HB 2585.
HB 2585	WORK SESSION	
198	Rep. Mannix	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT HB 2585-1 amendments dated 4/26/99.
200	Rep. Mannix	Explains the difference between "potential conflict of interest" and "actual conflict of interest."
215	Rep. Beck	Expresses concern about voting on HB 2585.
225		VOTE: 11-0 EXCUSED: 1 - Piercy
233	Vice-Chair Starr	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
235	Rep. Mannix	MOTION: Moves HB 2585 to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
239	Rep. Williams	Supports HB 2585. Acknowledges the validity of concerns expressed about HB 2585; will vote yes, but will work with opponents.
255		VOTE: 9-2 AYE: 9 - Atkinson, Beyer, Edwards, Gardner, Mannix, Starr, Welsh, Williams, Simmons NAY: 2 - Beck, Devlin EXCUSED: 1 - Piercy
260	Vice-Chair Starr	The motion CARRIES.

		REP. MANNIX will lead discussion on the floor.
262	Rep. Beck	Serves notice of a possible minority report (Vice-Chair Devlin will join Rep. Beck if needed).
284	Chair Simmons	Closes Work Session HB 2585. Opens Public Hearing SB 368A

SB 368A PUBLIC HEARING

300	Rep. Welsh	Asks a member of local government to explain the ñ4 amendment (EXHIBIT I).
310	Paul Snyder	Association of Oregon Counties. Opposes SB 368A. Explains the ñ4 amendment restores county races and candidates to the State Votersí Pamphlet. Urges adoption of the ñ4 amendment.
357	Chair Simmons	Relates that the Union County Clerk does not support an amendment to include counties in the State Votersí Pamphlet. Asks if there are any problems with two separate votersí pamphlets being published.
374	Snyder	Defers to county clerks.
378	Annette Newingham	Election official, Lane County. Supports the ñ4 amendment to SB 368A (EXHIBIT J) . Explains it is important for counties to have access to the State Votersí Pamphlet
393	Georgette Brown	Josephine County Clerk. Explains that it would be acceptable to include counties that do not publish their own votersí pamphlet. States that those counties that produce their own votersí pamphlet should not be included in the State Votersí Pamphlet.
410	Brown	Discusses the problem of candidates having access to both pamphlets.

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014	Chair Simmons	Notes the ñ4 amendments allows anyone to publish in the State Votersí Pamphlet.
017	Snyder	Explains that ñ4 does not deal with selectively allowing counties that do not publish a votersí pamphlet to include their information in the State Votersí Pamphlet, but restores the law to current practice.
025	Rep. Welsh	Offers a conceptual amendment.

026	Chair Simmons	Notes that no one on the committee served in the 1993 session, where much of this discussion originated.
034	Sealock	Explains what the legislature did in 1993 to reduce costs, which resulted in excluding county races from the State Votersí Pamphlet.
071	Chair Simmons	Asks how much more it costs to publish local races in multiple State Votersí Pamphlet.
074	Sealock	Explains the difficulties of calculating costs of the Votersí Pamphlet (EXHIBIT K).
095	Marbet	Coalition for Initiative Rights. Opposes SB 368A. Reads written testimony (EXHIBIT L). States SB 368A allows the Secretary of State to impair the ability of interested parties to present arguments through the State Votersí Pamphlet. Expresses concern about reducing size of arguments.
145	Marbet	Discusses concerns about SB 368A. Proposes deletion of section 18 of SB 368A. Stresses that access to the State Votersí Pamphlet is fundamental to the stateís democracy and changes must be justified.
200	Marbet	Continues to read testimony (EXHIBIT L).
225	Rep. Williams	Asks if Sealock can comment on section 9 in light of Marbetis testimony on section 9.
235	Sealock	Explains that section 9 accommodates technical contingencies, but not to offer a substantive advantage over an opponent.
248	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks when it was decided that Measure 9ís votes could not be counted. Asks if SB 368A would have enabled the Elections Division to inform the electorate of the problem through the State Votersí Pamphlet.
258	Sealock	Explains in that case the Votersí Pamphlet was already at the printers, but this provision would allow the state to disseminate relevant information.
273	Rep. Williams	Suggests it would be good to tighten up the language of that section so that it is not ambiguous on inclusion of arguments or how the Secretary of State decides when to mail the State Votersí Pamphlet.
288	Sealock	Offers alternative language to address concerns over section 9.
301	Marbet	States the proposal does not solve the problem.

308	Rep. Williams	Explains that if the language is too specific the Legislature will have to amend this section every session; it is acceptable to give the Secretary of State some administrative discretion.
323	Marbet	Suggests that the issue may be revisited if it is left too general.
328	Rep. Edwards	Asks witnesses about Secretary of Stateís methods of distribution of the State Votersí Pamphlet. Asks why that language was used in SB 368A.
340	Sealock	Explains why SB 368A, section 9 was written as it was. Points out that Marbet has offered alternative language, which Elections Division does not oppose.
362	Phil Dreyer	Chairman, Oregon Common Cause. Opposes SB 368A (EXHIBIT M). Examines SB 368A, section 15. Stresses the importance of the State Votersí Pamphlet and always needs to be sent to each elector.
412	Rep. Edwards	Asks Dreyer want he thinks about Marbetis proposed amendment to section 15.
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010	Dreyer	Respond that Marbetis proposal is acceptable.
018	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks if the increases in fees and signatures to file an argument in the State Votersí Pamphlet were existing law that sunsetted.
020	Sealock	Answer that when the decision was made both the fee structure and corresponding signature requirement were law in 1993.
028	Dreyer	States that 1000 signatures is enough to indicated general interest in a ballot measure.
031	Vice-Chair Starr	Asks how many people use the signature method to file arguments.
034	Sealock	States that very few people use the signature method.
037	Chair Simmons	Asks if fees approximate actual costs.
039	Sealock	Explains the difficulties in answering the question.
045	Rep. Beck	Asks why they are changing from "shall" to "may."
050	Sealock	Explains that it addresses the problem of when one district has a special election,

		current law requires that the State Votersí Pamphlet be mailed to all electors in the state.
055	Rep. Beck	Asks if the Secretary of State will continue to mail the State Votersí Pamphlet for general elections. Asks if it will be mailed in special elections.
060	Sealock	States that every residential mail box in the state will get a State Votersí Pamphlet for general elections and every registered mail box in a district will get it for a special election.
066	Rep. Beck	Asks if this will be a rule for all future Secretaries of State.
067	Sealock	States that is what the law constitutes.
068	Rep. Williams	Asks if Sealock objects to Marbetís proposed amendments.
073	Sealock	States those amendments are acceptable.
075	Vice-Chair Devlin	Explains why the fees changed and then reverted back.
081	Chair Simmons	Close Public Hearing SB 368A. Open Work Session SB 368A
<u>SB 368A W</u>	ORK SESSION	
083	Rep. Williams	MOTION: Moves to AMEND SB 368A on on page 3, in line 26, after "relevant," insert "to the conduct of the election."
		VOTE: 8-0 EXCUSED: 4 - Beyer, Gardner, Mannix, Piercy
	Chair Simmons	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
105	Rep. Williams	MOTION: Moves to AMEND SB 368A on page 7, in line 11, after "prepared," insert ". The Secretary of State shall cause the voters' pamphlet to be mailed to each post-office mailing address in Oregon in areas where the election is occurring, and shall use any additional means of distribution necessary to make the pamphlet available to electors." and delete lines 14 to 16 of page 7
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108	Rep. Edwards	Notes lines 14 through 16 need to be deleted.
120	Sealock	Points out a potential problem with the proposed language.
135	Vice-Chair Devlin	Suggests that the new language provide for mailing the State Votersí Pamphlet to all residences in a zip code area.
140	Sealock	Agrees that may work as long as those who are not allowed to vote are told the pamphlet does not apply to them.
150	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks if Elections Division had to mail to the entire state previously.
153	Sealock	Explains that this language has not existed before.
158	Vice-Chair Devlin	Asks if they can craft language containing mailings to the geographic region where an election occurs.
165	Sealock	Offers to work with Legislative Counsel.
180	Chair Simmons	Explains that SB 368A will be worked on again at another time.
185	Rep. Welsh	Explains ñ4 amendment.
198	Rep. Williams	Withdraws previous motion.
201	Chair Simmons	Adjourns the meeting at 6:21 p.m.

Submitted By, Reviewed By,

Kevin E. Wells, Cletus B. Moore, Jr.,

Administrative Support Administrator

EXHIBIT SUMMARY

- B ñ HB 2001, -5 hand engrossed, staff, 11 pp.
- C ñ HB 2001, written testimony, Harry Demarest, 9 pp.
- D ñ HB 3040, written testimony, staff, 3 pp.
- E ñ HB 3040, written testimony, staff, 1 p.
- F ñ HB2585, LC ñ1 amendment (4/26/99), staff, 2 pp.
- G ñ HB 2585, -1 hand engrossed, staff, 2 pp.
- H ñ HB 2585, written testimony, Lloyd Marbet, 2 pp.
- I ñ SB 368A, LC ñA4 amendment (4/29/99), 1 p.
- J ñ SB 368A, written testimony, staff, 1 p.
- K ñ SB 368A, written testimony, Colleen Sealock, 1 p.
- L ñ SB 368A, written testimony, Lloyd Marbet, 4 pp.
- M ñ SB 368A, written testimony, Phil Dreyer, 1 p.