

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ELECTIONS

June 11, 1997 Hearing Room D

8:30 AM Tapes 82 - 83

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Lynn Snodgrass, Chair

Rep. Peter Courtney, Vice-Chair

Rep. Lee Beyer

Rep. Bill Markham

Rep. Ken Messerle

Rep. Jim Welsh

Rep. Kitty Piercy

MEMBER EXCUSED:

STAFF PRESENT:

Janet Adkins, Policy Analyst

Brad Harper, Committee Administrator

Kellie Shoemaker, Committee Clerk

Erik Deitz, Administrative Support

MEASURE/ISSUES HEARD:

SJM 3 Public Hearing and Work Session

SJM 7 Work Session

SJR 34 Public Hearing and Work Session

SJR 40 Work Session

SB 224 Work Session

These minutes are in compliance with Senate and House Rules. Only text enclosed in quotation marks reports a speaker's exact words. For complete contents, please refer to the tapes.

Tape/#	Speaker	Comments
TAPE 82, A		
005	Chair Snodgrass	Calls meeting to order at 8:39 a.m., opens work session on SJM 7.
<u>SJM 7 WORK SESSION</u>		
010	Brad Harper	Committee Administrator, explains SJM 7 to committee and audience.
030	Sen. Tom Hartung	District 3, testifies in favor of SJM 7. Explains that he watched Mel Renforo's football games at Jefferson High School.
035	Rep. Beyer:	MOTION: Moves SJM 7 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
040		VOTE: 7-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
	Chair Snodgrass	The motion CARRIES. REP. MARKHAM will lead discussion on the floor.
046	Chair Snodgrass	Closes work session on SJM 7, opens public hearing on SJM 3.
<u>SJM 3 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
050	Harper	Explains SJM 3 to committee and audience.
060	Rep. Markham	Testifies in favor of SJM 3 and that Richard E. Groener was an old school politician.
070	Chair Snodgrass	Testifies in favor of SJM 3. Explains that at her first job she made him coffee and toast. Closes public hearing, opens work session.
<u>SJM 3 WORK SESSION</u>		
075	Rep. Courtney:	MOTION: Moves SJM 3 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
		VOTE: 7-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.
085	Chair Snodgrass	The motion CARRIES. REP. MARKHAM will lead discussion on the floor.
<u>SJR 34 PUBLIC HEARING</u>		
090	Janet Adkins	Policy Analyst, explains SJR 34 and the -3 amendments to committee and audience (EXHIBIT C).

140	Colleen Sealock	Director of State Elections, explains the wording in the -3 amendments. Explains that there could be some problems if there is a need for recount. The elected member would not be certified in time if a recount is needed.
160	Rep. Beyer	Asks if there is a method to change the certification process.
165	Sealock	Responds that recounts are the first votes to be certified.
180	Rep. Beyer	Asks if the second Monday in December could be met. Explains that he is trying to find a date as close to the election as possible.
190	Sealock	Responds she is unaware of how many problems there have been in the past.
215	Rep. Beyer	Explains that he would like to certify the members as close to the election date as possible in order to get a quick start on interim committees and so forth.
245	Chair Snodgrass	Explains that the scenario is to be in and out in one day but it needs to be flexible.
253	Sealock	Responds that is a policy call that the committee would have to make.
270	Rep. Beyer	Asks about changes in the -3 amendments.
276	Chair Snodgrass	Responds.
284	Chair Snodgrass	Closes public hearing on SJR 34, opens work session.
<u>SJR 34 WORK SESSION</u>		
285	Rep. Beyer	MOTION: Moves to SUSPEND the rules for the purpose of amending the -3 amendments.
	Chair Snodgrass	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
300	Rep. Beyer	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SJR 34 -A3 amendments dated 05/14/97 and that the bill be FURTHER AMENDED on page 2, lines 23, by inserting "or subsequent" after "second," and on page 2, line 23, by inserting "to" after "consecutively" and delete "with."
305	Chair Snodgrass	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
365	Chair Snodgrass	Closes work session on SJR 34, opens work session on SJR 40.
<u>SJR 40 WORK</u>		

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375	Adkins	Explains SJR 40 to committee and audience.
397	Chair Snodgrass	States that we may reconvene this afternoon.
400	Rep. Beyer:	MOTION: Moves SJR 40 be sent to the floor with a BE ADOPTED recommendation.
	Chair Snodgrass	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED. REP. BEYER will lead discussion on the floor.
440	Rep. Markham	Asks about wording in SJR 40.
450	Adkins	Responds.
TAPE 83, A (The first portion of this tape is blank due to technical difficulties)		
035	Adkins	Explains wording in SJR 40.
046	Chair Snodgrass	Closes work session on SJR 40, opens work session on SB 224.
<u>SB 224 WORK SESSION</u>		
055	Sealock	Explains SB 224 to committee and audience. Refers to section 10 and the new language. Explains that complaints would come to the Secretary of State's Office not a circuit court. Explains that the fine for a violation is a maximum of \$250. Clarifies the term "substantially relates to."
105	Sealock	Explains that there is very little to fiscal impact in the passing of the bill.
120	Rep. Beyer	Asks about the -5 amendments (EXHIBIT B).
126	Sealock	Responds.
132	Adkins	Points out language that was taken out of the bill. Enters a letter from Kappy Eaton as a part of the record (EXHIBIT A).
135	Rep. Beyer	MOTION: Moves to ADOPT SB 224 -5 amendments dated 6/11/97.
	Chair Snodgrass	Hearing no objection, declares the motion CARRIED.
141	Rep. Beyer	MOTION: Moves SB 224A to the floor with a DO PASS AS AMENDED recommendation.
190		VOTE: 6-0 AYE: In a roll call vote, all members present vote Aye.

		EXCUSED: 1 - Courtney
	Chair Snodgrass	The motion CARRIES. REP. SNODGRASS will lead discussion on the floor.
194	Chair Snodgrass	Closes work session on SB 224, adjourns meeting at 9:23 a.m.

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY

A - SB 224, written testimony, Kappy Eaton, 1 p

B - SB 224, -5 amendments, Staff, 4 pp

C - SJR 34, -3 amendments, Staff, 1 p