

NEVADA LEGISLATURE
ASSEMBLY

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57TH SESSION

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

DATE: Thursday, February 8, 1973

ATTENDEES: Foote, Chairman
Gojack, Vice Chairman
Crawford
Ford
Huff
Smith
Vergiels

ABSENCES: None

GUESTS: Thomas B. Winters - Democratic Club of Carson City (in part)
Mrs. Vergiels - Wife of Assemblyman Vergiels

Meeting called to order at 4:00 P.M. by Chairman Foote. She advised today's meeting would have to do mostly with voting machines. However, Mr. Demers had several bills which he handed to her with the hope we might introduce them as a Committee. Bill numbers and action taken by the Committee are as follows:

BDR-24-904 - Wait for Stan Colton. Unanimous approval by Committee.
BDR-24-905 - Refer back to introducer. Unanimous approval by Committee.
AB 251
AB 249
AB 250
BDR-24-906 - Will be introduced. Unanimous approval by Committee.
BDR-24-907 - Sent down to be read. Unanimous approval by Committee.
BDR-24-908 - We will introduce. Unanimous approval by Committee.
BDR-24-909 - Returned to Mr. Demers. Already covered in AB-13.
Unanimous approval by Committee.
BDR-24-910 - Wait for Stan Colton. Unanimous approval by Committee.
BDR-24-911 - Returned to Mr. Demers. AB-13 is better. Unanimous approval by Committee.
AB 252
BDR-24-912 - We will introduce. Unanimous approval by Committee.

The Committee then considered the bills listed on the Agenda for the day.

SB 23 - repeals obsolete or unnecessary provisions pertaining to voting machines.

Chairman Foote commented she didn't know why they were taking out these provisions. Assemblyman Gojack suggested we request counsel on this. Assemblyman Ford agreed, suggesting we also tack 293A.180 onto this. Unanimous approval by Committee to request counsel before acting on bill

AB 13 - clarifying law requiring election boards to supply information with keys to voting machines; describes ballot to be used in voting machines; and eliminates requirement that clerk attest a posted copy of election results.

Assemblyman Smith stated this worries him because it is the portion of the bill he went through on his challenge of voting machine results. Even after he ascertained the machine was malfunctioning,

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a determination still had to be made if the machine had been used before on a primary election by a candidate and if votes had been cast on it. The history of the machine was important in the processes of this. Assemblyman Ford stated it still allows another district. Chairman Foote commented everyone wants everyone to have every protection possible so if the machine does not operate something can be done about it. After discussion of possible alternative wording, the Committee decided to leave it as shown.

Bill No. AB 13 Date: January 16, 1973
Sponsor: Mr. Dreyer
Subject: Amends certain voting machine provisions.

Committee Action: Motion made by Assemblyman Huff the
Date: 2/8/73 Elections Committee vote "Do Pass."
Seconded by: Assemblyman Vergiels

Committee Vote:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Excused</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Foote	X	-	-	-
Gojack	X	-	-	-
Crawford	X	-	-	-
Ford	X	-	-	-
Huff	X	-	-	-
Smith	X	-	-	-
Vergiels	X	-	-	-

Disposition: Do Pass Date: 2/8/73

AB-11 - making application for absent ballots less formal; changing fee charged for lists of voters; eliminating requirement that naturalized citizens display naturalization papers to register; removing requirement that county clerk prepare list of registered voters 90 days before close of registration; requiring certain voter registration offices to remain open 3 nights before the close of registration; streamlining sample ballot procedure; eliminating inconsistencies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The committee discussed the various technical changes set forth in this bill. Action taken is as follows:

Bill No. AB 11 Date: January 16, 1973
Sponsor: Dreyer
Subject: Makes various technical changes in election laws.

Committee Action: Page 4, line 11, eliminate brackets;
Date: 2/8/73 lines 11 & 12, take out italics material;
line 15, leave in "2." - take out rest of line.

Motion made by Assemblyman Vergiels, seconded by Assemblyman Ford.

Page 4, lines 20 and 21. Motion made by Assemblyman Smith to amend it to its original language. Seconded by Assemblyman Ford.

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Committee Vote:	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Excused</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Foote	X	-	-	-
Gojack	X	-	-	-
Crawford	X	-	-	-
Ford	X	-	-	-
Huff	X	-	-	-
Smith	X	-	-	-
Vergiels	X	-	-	-

Disposition: Do Pass with changes as recommended on page 4.
Date: 2/8/73.

POLITICAL SIGNS

Assemblyman Gojack passed out material which she requested the Committee to review when they had the opportunity, stating she would like to originate some legislation within the next two weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Marion Smith
Assembly Attache

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Elections Committee Meeting

Date:

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Name

Organization Represented

Thomas B. Winters

Democratic Club of Carson City (in pari

membership)

