

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Horn
Vice Chairman Bedrosian
Mr. Barengo (one minute late)
Mrs. Cavnar
Mr. Malone

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Harmon
Mr. Hickey

GUESTS PRESENT: David L. Howard, Chief Deputy Secretary of State
Ted Thornton, Carson City Clerk
M. Ohriner
Patsy Becker

Chairman Horn called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. He stated that he had received a letter from David Howard, Chief Deputy Secretary of State, suggesting amendments to AB 602 which is attached to these minutes as Exhibit A.

AB 602: Requires secretary of state to offer class in election administration and county clerks to appoint election board officers to attend.

Mr. Howard explained that the intent was to school individuals who were directly responsible for the administration of the election process and these amendments simply changed the designation of election board officers to county clerk or his appointed representative as outlined in his letter.

When Mr. Horn asked if Mr. Howard wished this bill to be referred to Ways and Means, Mr. Howard replied he felt it probably should.

Mr. Horn said that if the committee passed AB 602, he would speak with Mr. Mello, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, in regard to referral.

When Mr. Horn asked if he wished to testify on this bill, Mr. Thornton replied that he felt this bill had a great deal of merit.

Since there was no further testimony on AB 602, Mr. Horn said the committee would discuss AB 601.

AB 601: Limits reports of campaign contributions and expenses which must be forwarded to secretary of state.

Mr. Howard explained that AB 601 was an attempt to cut down on paper work in the Secretary of State's office. He said that at present they receive reports of campaign contributions and expenditures for every candidate in the state which they feel is unnecessary as anyone interested in a local candidate's expenditures and contributions would obtain this information from the local county clerk. He added that they feel it is

it is only necessary for their office to receive reports from legislative and judicial offices which are statewide and all other statewide offices.

Mrs. Cavnar pointed out that justices of the peace were judicial offices but were not statewide elections. Mr. Howard agreed and said they had missed this point.

In reply to Mrs. Cavnar's question of whether these records are retained on a local level in case of a legal action, Mr. Howard commented that there is no enforcement in the statutes and that receiving reports was merely an administrative function.

When Mr. Malone questioned whether the individual legislator or the county clerk made the report to the Secretary of State's office, Mr. Howard replied that the individual candidates would still file with the local county clerks and the information would be forwarded to their office.

Mrs. Cavnar suggested amending the bill to read statewide offices excluding justices of the peace, and Mr. Howard said that rather than delay the bill with amendments he would like to have it passed, that the justices of the peace would not cause them too much extra work. Mrs. Cavnar said she would like to see it amended now rather than have the bill back in committee two years from now for this change.

Ted Thornton, Carson City Clerk, said that this bill would save the Secretary of State's office a great deal of paperwork and Mr. Barenco pointed out that it would also save his office a great deal of work.

Since there was no further testimony, Mr. Horn informed the committee that Mr. Barenco had obtained the amendment to AB 467 changing the word "located" on line 5 to "residing" which is attached to these minutes as Exhibit B.

Mrs. Cavnar moved to AMEND AB 467 TO INCLUDE AMENDMENT 510, seconded by Mr. Malone and unanimously carried by the members present.

Mr. Barenco moved DO PASS AS AMENDED on AB 467, seconded by Mr. Bedrosian and unanimously carried by the members present.

Mr. Horn explained that the committee had asked the Secretary of State to draft amendments to SB 128 dealing with presidential preference primaries and petitions and this amendment (#440) is attached to these minutes as Exhibit C.

Mr. Barenco moved to AMEND AND DO PASS SB 128, seconded by Mr. Malone and unanimously carried by the members present.

Mr. Horn asked if the committee was in favor of AB 602 with the amendments as proposed by Mr. Howard (Exhibit A).

Mr. Barengo moved to AMEND AND DO PASS AB 602, seconded by Mrs. Cavnar and unanimously carried by the members present.

After discussion, the committee decided to pass AB 601 with the understanding that Mr. Howard would work with the Senate committee to amend this bill to specifically cover only statewide offices and not include justices of the peace.

Mr. Malone moved DO PASS on AB 601 with the above understanding, seconded by Mrs. Cavnar and unanimously carried by the members present.

Since there was no futher business to come before the committee, Mr. Horn adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Hatch

Patricia Hatch
Assembly Attache

60th NEVADA LEGISLATURE

ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE APRIL 9, 1979

SUBJECT AB 467: Removes distinctions based on sex from residency requirements for elections.

MOTION: DO PASS AS AMENDED

Do Pass XX Amend XX Indefinitely Postpone _____ Reconsider _____

Moved By Mr. Barengo Seconded By Mr. Bedrosian

AMENDMENT: #510 (see Exhibit B)

Moved By Mrs. Cavnar Seconded By Mr. Malone

AMENDMENT: _____

Moved BY _____ Seconded By _____

VOTE:	<u>MOTION</u>		<u>AMEND</u>		<u>AMEND</u>	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
BEDROSIAN	<u>X</u>	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
BARENGO	<u>X</u>	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
CAVNAR	<u>X</u>	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
HARMON	<u>absent</u>	_____	<u>absent</u>	_____	_____	_____
HICKEY	<u>absent</u>	_____	<u>absent</u>	_____	_____	_____
MALONE	<u>X</u>	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
HORN	<u>X</u>	_____	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____
TALLY:	5	0	5	0		

ORIGINAL MOTION: Passed XX Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____

AMENDED & PASSED _____ AMENDED & DEFEATED _____

AMENDED & PASSED _____ AMENDED & DEFEATED _____

Attached to Minutes April 9, 1979

60th NEVADA LEGISLATURE

ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE APRIL 9, 1979

SUBJECT SB 128: Prescribes procedure for nomination of independent presidential candidates.

MOTION: AMEND AND DO PASS

Do Pass xx Amend xx Indefinitely Postpone _____ Reconsider _____

Moved By Mr. Barengo Seconded By Mr. Malone

AMENDMENT: #440 (Exhibit C)

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT: _____

Moved BY _____ Seconded By _____

VOTE:	<u>MOTION</u>		<u>AMEND</u>		<u>AMEND</u>	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
BEDROSIAN	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
BARENGO	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
CAVNAR	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
HARMON	<u>absent</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
HICKEY	<u>absent</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
MALONE	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
HORN	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
TALLY:	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>				

ORIGINAL MOTION: Passed xx Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____

AMENDED & PASSED _____ AMENDED & DEFEATED _____

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Attached to Minutes April 9, 1979

60th NEVADA LEGISLATURE

ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE APRIL 9, 1979

SUBJECT AB 602: Requires secretary of state to offer class in election administration and county clerks to appoint election board officers to attend.

MOTION: AMEND AND DO PASS

Do Pass xx Amend xx Indefinitely Postpone Reconsider

Moved By Mr. Barengo Seconded By Mrs. Cavnar

AMENDMENT: (Exhibit A)

Moved By Seconded By

AMENDMENT:

Moved BY Seconded By

Table with columns: MOTION (Yes/No), AMEND (Yes/No), AMEND (Yes/No) and rows for members: BEDROSIAN, BARENGO, CAVNAR, HARMON, HICKEY, MALONE, HORN. Includes a TALLY row showing 5 Yes and 0 No for the motion.

ORIGINAL MOTION: Passed xx Defeated Withdrawn

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60th NEVADA LEGISLATURE

ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE APRIL 9, 1979

SUBJECT AB 601: Limits reports of campaign contributions and expenses which must be forwarded to secretary of state.

MOTION: DO PASS

Do Pass XX Amend Indefinitely Postpone Reconsider

Moved By Seconded By

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ORIGINAL MOTION: Passed XX Defeated Withdrawn

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Attached to Minutes April 9, 1979

STATE OF NEVADA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

EXHIBIT A

DAVID L. HOWARD
CHIEF DEPUTY
ABNER W. SEWELL
DEPUTY



CARSON CITY, NEVADA 89710

March 23, 1979

Nicholas J. Horn, Chairman
Assembly Elections Committee
Nevada State Legislature
Carson City

Dear Mr. Horn,

The Secretary and I would like to express our appreciation for the introduction of AB 602. Should this matter successfully proceed to passage and adoption, we are confident that the administration of elections in the State of Nevada will be greatly improved; however, may we make the following suggestion toward amendment:

- 1) Subsection 2 of Section 1 should be amended to read "In each even numbered year, each county clerk and or his appointed representative shall attend the course of instruction given by the Secretary of State."
- 2) Subsection 3 of Section 1 should be amended to read "The county clerk and or his appointed representative are entitled to receive while attending the course subsistence allowances and travel expenses from the secretary of state at the same rate received by state officers."

These amendments would correct the misnomer of "election board officers" that really refers to online, election day appointees who man the polling places. We are interested in schooling those individuals directly responsible for the administration of the entire election process in each county.

Sincerely yours,


David L. Howard, Chief Deputy

1979 REGULAR SESSION (60TH)

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Date:	Initial:	Date:	Initial:	Proposed by <u>Committee on Elections</u>	

Amendment N^o 510



Amend section 1, page 1, line 5, by deleting "located" and inserting "[located] residing".

To: E & E
LCB File
Journal
Engrossment
Bill

Date 4-5-79 Drafted by JSP:ml

1979 REGULAR SESSION (60TH)

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Amendment N^o 440



Amend the bill as a whole by adding a new section to be designated as section 6, following section 5, to read:

"Sec. 6. NRS 298.105 is hereby amended to read as follows:

298.105 1. Each registered voter may vote on the official presidential preference primary ballot for one person to be the candidate for nomination by his party for President of the United States.

2. The name of any candidate for a political party nomination for President of the United States shall be printed on the ballots only:

(a) If the secretary of state has determined in his [sole] discretion that the person's candidacy is generally advocated or recognized in national news media throughout the United States; or

(b) If a petition for nomination meeting the requirements of subsection 3 of this section is presented by members of the political party to which the candidate belongs.

To: E & E
LCB File
Journal
Engrossment
Bill

Date 3-29-79 Drafted by FWD:iw

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3. The petition referred to in paragraph (b) of subsection 2
[shall:] must:

(a) Have attached thereto a sheet or sheets containing the signatures of a number of registered voters at least equal to 1 percent of the number of votes cast [in the state for candidates of such political party for presidential electors at the last general election;] for President at the last general election at which a President of the United States was elected;

(b) Contain on each signature sheet the residence address and name or number of the precinct of each registered voter whose signature appears thereon;

(c) Have affixed to each signature sheet an affidavit by one of the signers of such sheet to the effect that all of the signatures on such sheet are genuine and that each individual who signed such document was at the time of signing a registered voter in the county of his or her residence; and

(d) Be filed with the secretary of state not later than the 30th day prior to the presidential preference primary."