MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Eighty-second Session May 19, 2023

The Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections was called to order by Chair James Ohrenschall at 5:35 p.m. on Friday, May 19, 2023, in Room 2149 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4412E of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. <u>Exhibit A</u> is the Agenda. <u>Exhibit B</u> is the Attendance Roster. All exhibits are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator James Ohrenschall, Chair Senator Skip Daly, Vice Chair Senator Heidi Seevers Gansert Senator Lisa Krasner

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Nicole J. Cannizzaro (Excused)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nicolas Anthony, Policy Analyst Jeff Koelemay, Counsel Diane Rea, Committee Secretary

CHAIR OHRENSCHALL: We have only one bill on work session today. I will turn the meeting over to Nicolas Anthony.

NICOLAS ANTHONY (Policy Analyst):

Before the Committee today is <u>Assembly Bill (A.B.) 242</u>. The bill was sponsored by the Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections on behalf of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. It was heard in this Committee on May 16, 2023. Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections May 19, 2023 Page 2

ASSEMBLY BILL 242 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-365)

This bill repeals certain provisions relating to paper ballots and the discretionary use of mechanical voting systems. The measure requires each polling place to provide at least two voting booths that are accessible to voters who are elderly or have disabilities. County and city clerks must attend training in using the accessible voting booths.

The work session document ($\underline{\text{Exhibit C}}$) includes Proposed Amendment 3698 to delete multiple sections of the bill.

CHAIR OHRENSCHALL:

I want to thank the Legal Division for putting this together on short notice. I will accept a motion to do pass <u>A.B. 242</u> with Proposed Amendment 3698.

SENATOR DALY MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 242 WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT 3698.

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL SECONDED THE MOTION.

SENATOR KRASNER:

I appreciate this recent amendment, but we just received it and I have not had time to go through it. I am going to be a no going out of Committee.

SENATOR SEEVERS GANSERT:

I am fine with this bill. I appreciate the amendment to make sure folks can use paper ballots and the work put into this. My understanding is the repealed sections at the end of the proposed amendment are deleted. They are just not redlined right now, but section 49 points to those repealed sections. I will be in support of this motion.

CHAIR OHRENSCHALL:

Section 49 is deleted. The text of repealed sections at the end of the bill will remain in the amendment.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (SENATOR KRASNER VOTED NO.)

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CHAIR OHRENSCHALL:

We will close the work session. Seeing no further business for the Legislative Operations and Elections Committee for this day, we are adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Diane Rea, Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Senator James Ohrenschall, Chair

DATE:_____

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A.B. 242	С	2	Nicolas Anthony	Work Session Document