

MINUTES OF MEETING--COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS--55TH SESSION--ASSEMBLY
MARCH 21, 1969.

SB-69 - Changes date of primary election.

Hilbrecht made the motion to not rescind their action on SB-69.

Frazzini seconded.

Motion unanimously carried

The Chairman appointed three conference committees to give presentations at Senate hearings. Committees appointed are as follows:

1st Committee: Reid; Frazzini; Prince.

2nd Committee: Foote; Schouweiler; Homer

3rd Committee: Swallow; Hilbrecht; Bryan

SB-180 - Counting of absentee ballots.

Foote: There is a possible problem. We were told by the Washoe County people of what they do to get the ballots counted. Someone transfers from the machine onto a ballot card. There should be something done so nobody has to transfer these figures.

Homer: By having to wait to count the absent ballots results in a delay in getting the final returns.

Foote: I would like to see if we can amend this particular bill and see if we could do something about the ballots and computer calculators. I think this is more important.

Hilbrecht: I ask Mr. Mulroy what he suggested--how would he manage this and still comply with the law. He said that maybe we could have one person from each party in attendance.

Homer: What is the evil of letting them count the ballots during the day?

Reid: The problem is that it is an intangible wrong. We don't know what effect it has to give a vote count when the people are still voting. Mack Fry is interested in this bill. He didn't know until the next day whether he won or not.

Foote: I think it is incumbent on us for the fairest and fastest way to have the votes counted. We should change our laws so they would help us accomplish this. It would be acceptable if it were possible to have the data fed into a computer at 7:02 and have the answer at 7:15.

Frazzini made a motion that the committee explore the possibility of developing an amendment to SB-180.

Reid seconded.

Motion unanimously carried.

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Miss Foote was appointed to investigate the possibility of amending SB-180.

AB-165 - Changes membership requirements for boards of hospital trustees for public hospitals.

Reid moved to indefinitely postpone AB-165.

Hilbrecht seconded.

Motion unanimously carried.

SB-70 - Provides deadlines for submission of local questions to county clerks prior to elections.

Hilbrecht moved to defer action until such time as the committee could get legislative council.

Reid seconded.

Motion carried.

AJR-24 - Memorializes Congress to enact legislation providing a plan of time zone voting.

Kean was called in as he had ask for a hearing on the bill.

Kean: This started out as a project for my intern. This has to be done by the Congress to make it uniform. The bill has to be amended to say closing instead of open. I'm thinking also that maybe we should delete Hawaii and Alaska. This would close all the polls across the United States at the same time. If we closed California at 6 o'clock, it would be 7 in the middle states and 8 o'clock in the eastern states. Most of the United States is in three time zones.

Reid moved to "Do Pass" AJR-24 with an amendment on line 18 deleting the word "open" and inserting "closed."

Homer seconded.

Motion unanimously carried.

SB-338 - Eliminates conflict relating to division of election precincts.

Reid made a motion to defer action on SB-338 until committee could get legislative council.

Foote seconded.

Motion carried.

SB-401

SB-276

SJR-14 -- action deferred until committee could get legislative council.

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AJR-32 - Proposes constitutional amendment to prohibit public office holder from declaring candidacy for second public office under certain circumstances.

AB-438 - Prohibits filing for certain public offices by certain persons already holding public office.

Hilbrecht moved to indefinitely postpone AJR-32 and AB-438.

Reid seconded.

Motion carried with Homer voting no.

Miss Foote moved to adjourn meeting.

Mrs. Frazzini seconded.

<u>Bill No.</u>	<u>Summary</u>	<u>Action</u>
SB-180	Counting of absentee ballots.	Pending
AB-165	Changes membership requirements for boards of hospital trustees for public hospitals.	Indefinitely postponed
AJR-24	Memorializes Congress to enact legislation providing a plan of time zone voting.	Do Pass as amended.
SB-338	Eliminates conflict relating to division of election precincts.	Pending
SB-401	Repeals limitation on proceeding to contest election of state officers	Pending
SB-276	Provides procedure for second amendment of constitutional provision to which a prior amendment is ratified.	Pending
SJR-14		Pending
AJR-32	Proposes constitutional amendment to prohibit public office holder from declaring candidacy for second public office under certain circumstances.	Indefinitely postponed
AB-438	Prohibits filing for certain public offices by certain persons already holding public office.	Indefinitely postponed