MINUTES, COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, MARCH 5, 1969

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Swallow at 10:45 a.m.

Present: Swallow, Frazzini, Schouweiler, Homer, Hilbrecht, Reid and Foote.

Absent: None

Guests: John Koontz, Secretary of State
William Goni, Ormsby County Clerk
Thomas Mulroy, Clark County Department of Elections

AB 89--Changes form of statement by registered electors who are property owners in certain bond elections (BDR 30-72)

Mulroy-Bond elections at the present time are covered by chapters of the law that do not come under Title 24. They have reference to Title 24 in certain aspects. It provides that people who vote in bond elections will be divided in two categories--Property and Non-property Owners. I feel the status has changed considerably in late years. I have a letter from Assessor in Clark County stating that the majority of people are property owners.

He stated further that there is an injustice in the law as it stands now. If you write for an absentee ballot you would not receive the bond issue. The law requires that you have to request the ballot and the bond issue. He said also that property owners, rather than to be bothered filling out forms, would just sign as non-property owners. Also, he said there was injustice to property owners having to pay the notarizing fee.

Hilbrecht asked what AB-89 did about this and Mulroy replied that they suggested changing the wording "affidavit" to "statement under perjury."

It would provide that all questions that come up would be on the ballot for all to see, and all could vote on the issue. It would do away with having to use two ballots.

Reid moved a "Do Pass" for AB-89;

Foote seconded

Unanimously carried

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SB-69 -- Changes date of primary election.

Mulroy was concerned about the date set for primary elections. He was afraid it would not give them time to prepare the abstracts.

Reid and Hilbrecht assured him this change would not affect nor shorten any administrative time.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

<u>Bill</u>	<u>Summary</u>	Action
AB-89	Changes form of statement by registered electors who are property owners in certain bond elections	Do Pass

