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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Barbara P. Allen at 1:30 p.m. on March 5, 2003 in Room 245-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Committee staff present: Ken Wilke, Revisor of Statutes

Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Nancy Kirkwood, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant, Secretary of State

Mindy Miller, Legal Associate on Elections and Legislative Matters

Others attending: see attached list

Hearing on HB 2288 - Elections; changes to comply with Help America Vote Act of 2002

Chairperson Allen recognized Brad Bryant, Deputy Assistant, Secretary of State to provide an update on federal funding for the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) to the committee (Attachment 1).

Mindy Miller, Legal Associate on Elections and Legislative Matters, provided testimony in support of <u>HB</u> <u>2288</u>. <u>HB 2288</u> is an election reform bill proposed by the Secretary of State to implement election administration changes required by the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA). Mindy explained the main provisions of <u>HB 2288</u> (Attachment 2).

A proposed amendment to <u>**HB 2288**</u> from the Secretary of State's office was distributed to committee. It has three amendments to Section 10 and 11 of <u>**HB 2288**</u> (Attachment 3).

There being no others to testify on **HB 2288**, Chairperson Allen closed the hearing.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.