Approved: <u>Mar. 28, 2008</u>

#### MINUTES OF THE HOUSE ELECTIONS AND GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mike Burgess at 11:30 P.M. on January 17, 2008 at the Rail of the Capitol.

### All members were present except:

Representative Ted Powers- excused

Representative Virginia Beamer- excused

Representative Deena Horst- excused

Representative Harold Lane- excused

Representative Melody McCray-Miller- excused

Representative Mike Peterson- excused

Representative Sue Storm- excused

### Committee staff present:

Martha Dorsey, Legislative Research Department Cindy Lash, Legislative Research Department Mike Heim, Revisor of Statutes

# Others attending:

Only Committee members and Committee staff were present.

Chairman Burgess opened the hearing on HB 2649

# HB 2649 - an act concerning counties; relating to initiative and referendum.

Rep. Steve Brunk, testified in support of <u>HB 2649</u>. He stated that, a proposed resolution concerning a taxation or spending matter by a petition as provided by the section. Such petition shall be signed by electors equal in number to at least 15% of the electors who voted at the last preceding regular county election as shown by the poll books and shall contain a request that the governing body pass a resolution or submit the same to a vote of the electors. Such resolution and petition shall be filed with the county clerk for proposed resolution.

Being that there were no conferees, the Chairman closed the hearing at 11:38a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 23, 2008.