

Public Hearing  
COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS  
August 19, 1991  
3:35pm

Room 106, Reagan Building

Pursuant to a suspension of the five day posting rule, the Committee on Elections convened in a public hearing and was called to order by the Chair, Representative Debra Danburg.

The roll was answered as follows:

PRESENT: Ms. Danburg, Ms. Mowery, Mr. T. Hunter, Mr. Cate, Ms. Glossbrenner, Ms. Hernandez, Mr. Hirschi (7).  
ABSENT: Mr. Brady, Mr. Martinez (2).

A quorum was present.

The Chair swore in all those present and wishing to testify.

HB 21

The Chair laid out HB 21 and explained the bill.

The following were recognized to speak in favor of the bill:

Chris Bjornson, representing himself and the Travis County Tax Office.

Ed Martin, representing himself and the Texas Democratic Party.

The Chair recognized Melinda Nickless, representing the Texas Secretary of State, to speak on the bill as a resource witness.

Without objection, the committee recessed at 4:55pm for 15 minutes.

The committee was called back to order by the Chair at 5:10pm.

The roll was answered as follows:

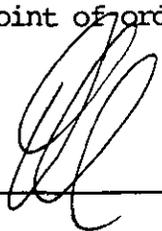
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ABSENT: Mr. Brady, Mr. Martinez (2).

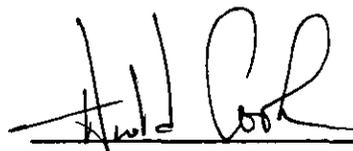
Ms. Mowery raised a point of order against further consideration of HB 21, on the grounds that the subject matter contained in the bill was not germane to the Call of the Session.

The point of order was overruled by the chair with the following explanation:

Chair



Clerk



The Call of the 2nd Called Session addresses Congressional and State Board of Education redistricting, and this bill directly addresses those redistricting issues. In addition, precedent and court rulings printed previously in the House rules give the legislature broad discretion as to the character and scope of legislation under a Governor's call. I therefore respectfully overrule the point of order.

Ms. Glossbrenner offered an amendment to HB 21.

There was unanimous consent to allow Legislative Council staff to explain the amendment to HB 21.

The amendment was adopted without objection, and committee staff was instructed to incorporate the amendment into a complete committee substitute.

The Chair laid out the committee substitute to HB 21. The substitute was adopted without objection.

Ms. Glossbrenner moved to report HB 21, as substituted, to the House with the recommendation that it do pass. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

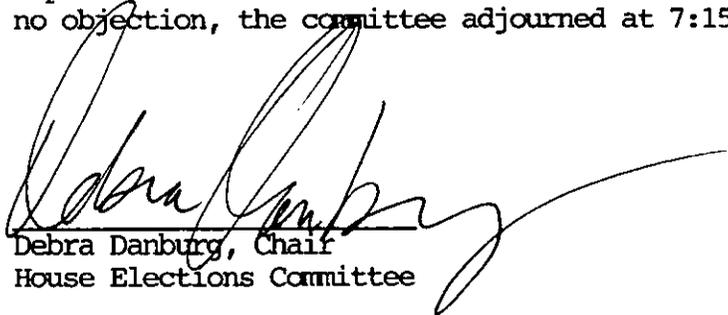
AYE: Rep. Danburg, Hunter, Cate, Glossbrenner, Hernandez, Hirschi (6).

NAY: Rep. Mowery (1).

PNV: None (0).

ABS: Rep. Brady, Martinez (2).

Representative Hernandez moved that the Committee stand adjourned. There being no objection, the committee adjourned at 7:15pm.



Debra Danburg, Chair  
House Elections Committee



Harold Cook, Chief Clerk  
House Elections Committee

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Chair

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Clerk

