

Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008 Committee Statement LB 268

Hearing Date: February 7, 2007

Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Introducer(s): (McGill)

Title: Change election provisions for county board members

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

X Advanced to General File with Amendments

Indefinitely Postponed

Vote Results:

8 Yes Senators Adams, Aguilar, Avery, Friend, Karpisek, Lautenbaugh,

Pahls, Rogert

No

Present, not voting

Absent

Proponents:Senator Amanda McGill
Introducer

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing: Kerry Eagan Lancaster County

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 268 provides, beginning in 2008, that counties having a population of more than 150,000 but not more than 300,000 (i.e. Lancaster County) will nominate and elect one commissioner from each district by the registered voters of such district. Currently, commissioners in this county are nominated from each district by the voters of the district, but elected by the voters of the entire county.

The bill also outlines the procedure from changing from nominating by district and electing by large to nominating and electing by district. In 2008, one commissioner will be nominated and elected from each even-numbered district. In 2010, one commissioner will be nominated and elected from each odd-numbered district.

Finally, the bill provides when county district boundary lines may be altered.

Sen	Senator Ray Aguilar, Chairperson		