

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

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Date

March 13, 2020

Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB20-1359 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation and with a recommendation that it be placed on the consent calendar:

1 Amend reengrossed bill, page 3, line 24, after "GOVERNING" insert "THE  
2 TIMING OF ANY".

3 Page 3, line 26, after "SUCH" insert "TIMING".

4 Page 5, line 23, after "PERSON" insert "WHO IS PHYSICALLY PRESENT".

5 Page 5, lines 25 and 26, strike "PARTY MAY WAIVE OR REDUCE" and  
6 substitute "STATE PARTY MAY PROVIDE PROCEDURES TO AUTHORIZE THE  
7 REDUCTION OR WAIVER OF".

8 Page 8 , strike lines 10 through 12 and substitute:

9 "(b) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (5)(a) OF THIS SECTION,  
10 IN 2020, IF THE DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL WITH WHOM A PETITION  
11 IS TO BE FILED IS UNABLE TO ACCEPT THE FILING BECAUSE OF CLOSURES OR  
12 RESTRICTIONS DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERNS, THE DESIGNATED  
13 ELECTION OFFICIAL MAY EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO FILE THE PETITION OR  
14 DESIGNATE AN ALTERNATE LOCATION FOR FILING THE PETITION OR BOTH;  
15 EXCEPT THAT A SIGNATURE GATHERED AFTER THE THIRD TUESDAY IN  
16 MARCH IS INVALID AND SHALL NOT BE COUNTED."

17 Page 8, lines 25 and 26, strike "DUE TO A PROHIBITION FROM THE

1 GOVERNOR ON PUBLIC GATHERS OVER A CERTAIN SIZE," and substitute  
2 "BECAUSE A COMPETENT GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY PROHIBITS  
3 GATHERINGS OVER A CERTAIN SIZE OR RESTRICTS THE USE OF PUBLIC  
4 FACILITIES DUE TO A PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERN,".

5 Page 9, line 11, strike "PROXIES FOR" and substitute "A PERSON WHO IS  
6 PHYSICALLY PRESENT TO CARRY PROXIES AT".

7 Page 9, lines 17 and 18, strike "DUE TO A PROHIBITION FROM THE  
8 GOVERNOR ON PUBLIC GATHERS OVER A CERTAIN SIZE," and substitute  
9 "BECAUSE A COMPETENT GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY PROHIBITS  
10 GATHERINGS OVER A CERTAIN SIZE OR RESTRICTS THE USE OF PUBLIC  
11 FACILITIES DUE TO A PUBLIC HEALTH CONCERN,".

12 Page 10, strike lines 12 through 14 and substitute "BY THE INABILITY OF  
13 A POLITICAL PARTY TO CONDUCT AN ASSEMBLY BECAUSE A COMPETENT  
14 GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY PROHIBITS GATHERINGS OVER A CERTAIN  
15 SIZE OR RESTRICTS THE USE OF PUBLIC FACILITIES DUE TO A PUBLIC  
16 HEALTH CONCERN.".

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