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LB 779

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change the constitution and you had a small state where we are...I think, have the potential for being an experimental lab for a lot of people, once they figure out that it doesn't take much to get onto our ballot, and that includes legislatively. You know, quite frankly, it doesn't take much to change the constitution, even through the legislative route, even though that's more reflective. But this, again, to remind you what it does, is a two-vote process to change the constitution. The first one is to approve the amendment, the second one would be to ratify it. And then there is the additional time that we have got in there to aid in verification. That's the reason there is some additional time to file these petitions, because we don't do a decent job of verifying, and we have to do it in a very compressed time. This amendment now gives us sufficient time to have the verification process be a meaningful one. With that, I would urge the advancement of the bill. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I move the advancement of LR 18CA to E & R for engrossing.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Machine vote has been requested. Question is the advancement of LR 18CA. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Have you voted? Record vote has been requested. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 2365.) 30 ayes, 15 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill (sic) is advanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 779.

CLERK: Senator Smith, I have no amendments...or, I'm sorry, I have E & R amendments to LB 779. (AM7156, Legislative Journal page 2339.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Mr. President, I move the adoption of the E & R amendments to LB 779.