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HUNTINGTON AREA LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

January & February, 1974

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C A L E N D A R

- Jan. 8 Education Consensus: Cabell County Schools. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, Norway Ave. and Green Oak Drive, 9:30 A. M. Baby sitter and parking provided.
- 9 Education Consensus: Cabell County Schools. Carolyn Tillack, 214 Eleventh Avenue, West, 7:30 P. M.
- 9 Legislature begins.
- 17 Education Consensus: Cabell County Schools Mini-Unit. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 1:00 P. M. Baby sitter and parking provided. (An extra unit meeting held by special request for those who cannot conveniently attend morning and evening meetings.)
- 22 Education Consensus: Cabell County Schools. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 23 Education Consensus: Cabell County Schools. Marcia Daoust, 1135½ Eleventh Avenue, 7:30 P. M.
- 29 Board Meeting, Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- Feb. 5 Election Laws. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 6 Election Laws. Marjorie Altizer, 1340 Thirteenth Street, 7:30 P. M.
- 20 Day at the Legislature. Call Kitty Pyles, 522-2762, for reservations.
- 26 Board Meeting. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- Mar. 5 Election Laws Consensus. Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church, 9:30 A. M.
- 6 Election Laws Consensus. Bernice Steirn, 2030 N. Englewood Rd., 7:30 P. M.
- 16 Annual Meeting.

League welcomes the following new members: .

Mrs. John Coe (Diane) 612 South Terrace	529-7494 25705	Mrs. Robert Daoust (Marcia) 1135½ Eleventh Avenue	529-4406 25701
Mr. David H. McGinnis 6106 Pea Ridge Road	736-4138 25705	Mrs. Frances Norton 5946 Wilson Drive	736-9967 25705

Add the following name to the membership list:

Mrs. Donald Carson (Felicia) 525-3894
93 S. Altamont Drive 25701

Listed below are the new telephone numbers for the following members:

Sally Lemke	736-3004
Harmony Phillips	697-4394
Judy Roach	697-4201
Ruth Burton	697-7704
GINNA COLBURN	697-5150

The new address of Justine Bowen is 726 Ninth Avenue, Apt. 204, 25701, telephone, 697-4303; the new address of Roberta Emerson is 706 Ridgewood Road. Lavella Mobayed is Mrs. Louis Mobayed instead of John, and the correct name is Lucy Cadwell, not Caldwell.

League Lingo

ACTION. Action may be taken on a League position when the Board decides it would be effective. Action includes: providing information, building public opinion, and supporting or opposing legislation or governmental action.

The individual has a vital role in the success of League action. When speaking as a representative of the League, the individual must be careful to keep her remarks within the boundaries set up by the official position established by the study and consensus. A person, publicly expressing opinions contrary to League position, must do so as a private citizen and not as a representative of the League.

Failure to follow this procedure results in confusion. Recently a women complained to the news media. She gave no name but gave the name of the League. The news media called the president of League to protest the manner in which the complaint was made. This necessitated many apologies and explanations. The complaint did not concern League program; but it did reflect on the League and hurt its image.

Government Officials Roster

Do you like the enclosed "Government Officials Roster"? The brochure was sponsored by four banks of the Huntington area: 20th Street Bank, Guaranty Bank, First National Bank of Ceredo, and Wayne County Bank. These banks are enclosing the roster with the bank statements sent to their customers. League has printed 2000 additional copies to be sent to schools, libraries, and newcomers. If you can use some copies, see Betty Barrett.

COMING EVENTS

Cabell County School Study

The Local League Handbook, in describing the procedures which local Leagues are obliged to follow, has the following to say about consensus:

"When the League starts a new study, it does not start like an artist with an untouched canvas, nor is the study developed in a vacuum. Consensus has roots in the past as well as the present.

"Consensus grows out of knowledge of government gained from years of League studies of the same or related subjects. Basis philosophies about government of individual members have an influence. The thinking which resulted in adoption of the Program issue, reading League publications, newspapers, periodicals and other materials, listening to the radio and watching TV all play a part. Consensus is formalized at a single meeting but it is never the result of that meeting. It stems from knowledge and experience acquired in a variety of ways; it is the end of a long process."

Our study of the school system has been a wide-ranging survey and not an evaluation. We feel consensus on this subject should be broad and reflect general concepts rather than specifics. As such, we propose the following areas for discussion at the January unit meetings.

I. Accountability

A. Board of Education

1. Operate in a democratic manner
2. Respond to the public
3. Solicit public opinion

B. Availability of information

1. Schools report to the people on effectiveness of programs
2. Collections of sources of school information at public library

II. Standards for quality education

A. Raising standards above minimum requirements of the law

B. Recruiting and promoting policies that assure high quality staff

C. Suiting curriculum to the needs of the students

III. Equality of educational opportunity for each child

A. Physical facilities

B. Programs and services (as course offering, special teachers, etc.)

C. Distribution of funds

Cabell County School Study, Continued

- D. Development of each child to his full potential
 - 1. Efforts to achieve goals of personal development and group interrelationship
 - 2. Acquirement of basic skills (such as reading, communication, etc.)
 - 3. Efforts to bring the underachiever to the potential of his ability.
- E. Provision for compensatory services
 - 1. Educationally deprived
 - 2. Special education and special needs
- F. Diversified programs to prepare for future vocations

IV. Planning

- A. Systematic planning by school system
- B. Input from public
- C. Evaluation of existing programs

V. Possible additional areas for study:

Vocational education
Special education
Libraries
Planning
Pupil evaluation
Others

--Helen Brown, Chairman
Cabell County School Study

DAY AT THE LEGISLATURE

February 20, 1974
Daniel Boone Hotel
Charleston, West Virginia
\$4.50 per member

Tentative Schedule

8:00 - 10:00 A. M.	Coffee with Legislators	Daniel Boone Hotel
10:00 - 11:15 A. M.	Legislative Discussions	Daniel Boone Hotel
11:30 - 12:30 P. M.	Luncheon for Members	Daniel Boone Hotel
12:45 -	Attendance at the Legislature	State Capitol

Call Kitty Pyles (522-2762) for reservations and details.

Election Laws Unit--Primary Ballot of West Virginia

Have you ever felt overwhelmed by the choices you needed to make on the West Virginia primary ballot? It has been reported that in the past some primary ballots demanded a total of seventy X's if a voter wished to register his choices for all the offices and nominations on the ballot. How can a voter make intelligent choices with these conditions? The offices for which you are asked to register your choice for candidates can range in jurisdiction from governor to constable.. Any member of a major political party may file for his party's nomination.

Some questions we will be discussing at the unit are:

1. Do you think our nominating procedures encourage the nomination of qualified citizens?
2. Which of the following procedures might be most desirable: party caucuses, party conventions, direct primary elections, challenged primary elections, or some combination of these methods?

Other areas of discussion will be presidential preference primary, election of delegates to national party conventions, election of party officials.

The Election Laws Committee hopes to have a vigorous, interesting, and informative study. The caliber of our government is dependent upon the caliber of the officials which we choose. The nominating process is an important first step in good government.

--Bea Lingenfelter, Chairman
Election Laws Committee

LEAGUE PROFILE

Carolyn McMillan

Carolyn McMillan is both a new secretary to the Huntington Board and a new Huntington League member. Carolyn is not new to League work, however. Before moving to Huntington, she was active in the Worcester, Massachusetts League. She had experience in voter service and several study committees, such as Council-Manager Government and Trade.

Other interests and organizations included International Center of Worcester, the Congregational Church, and Worcester Human Rights Advisory Committee. She admits to an interest in gardening and crafts, but her two girls, age two and nine, prevent much activity in this area.

Her husband is John H. McMillan, executive editor with the Huntington Publishing Company.

ERA BRACELET

The ERA bracelet is very popular in the Huntington League. One order has been completely sold, and another order has been made. The bracelet is available for \$2.50 on prepaid orders to League members and \$3.00 to non-League members. All profits go to the ERA campaign to help Leagues who are in states that have not ratified the ERA amendment. See Betty Barrett (525-5908) for details.

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

Happy New Year!

Now the holidays are over, we look ahead to some interesting League work. Our long awaited education consensus is first item of business. The legislative session affords us many opportunities for action on state program. We'll finish our election laws work. More than anything, 1974 is the year for voters service, with prospects of five elections. And who knows yet what local program will be adopted at the annual meeting, or what will happen to the national program during the convention in May! There are many opportunities here for individual League members. We need people willing to volunteer for large or small jobs. Any committee chairman will be happy to have you, whatever your talents or time.

--Betty Barrett, President
LWV of Huntington Area

Council-Manager Consensus

The Huntington Area League of Women Voters continues to support the present council-manager system of government with its present method of electing council members.

The group definitely felt the council-manager system adequate even though it recognized the lack of leadership inherent in the system. Noone wanted to sacrifice the business-like efficiency of the council-manager system, but many called for more responsiveness from elected leaders and from the city manager. There were no votes for any of the alternative forms of government.

While the majority favored the present method of voting, there was a strong minority for a combination of ward and at-large voting. Again the discussion centered on responsiveness. This question brought out much more heated comments and pleas for change than did the question of structure.

All were interested in studying intergovernmental cooperation further and most wished some look at local government finance. A few mentioned looking at City Hall organizations, but it was announced that the new city manager is investigating this.

--Martha Woodward, Chairman
Council-Manager Government

Election Law Conference

Points covered in a statement to Secretary of State Heiskell, December 7, 1973:

1. We support legislation to clarify position of Secretary of State as chief election officer of the state.
2. We support legislation to strengthen voter assistance laws.
3. We would like a training film for election officials in voting machine counties, a training manual and sample kit to accompany film, and a system

Election Law Conference, Continued

for feedback to improve training procedures. We think the film should be required for training for all elections, including special elections.

4. We listed problems we discovered through our call-in service.
5. We requested an opinion on whether paper ballots could be used in a voting machine county during special elections. This was prompted by dissatisfaction with the last school levy procedure. We will request an opinion from the attorney general.
6. We discussed the points listed in our state consensus on campaign financing and ethics.

Statement was given by Betty Barrett, accompanied by Helen Gibbins. Bea Lingenfelter did most of the preparation. Nancy Taylor, Opal Mann, Judy Roach also attended.

--Betty Barrett, President
LWV of the Huntington Area

Proposed Local Bylaws Changes

The Bylaws Committee met on December 6. Suggested changes in bylaws to be approved by the local board, state board, and 2/3 of the voting members present at the annual meeting are:

Under Article VI, Sec. 2, Dues, add Where more than one member resides at the same domicile, one of the members will pay \$15 dues; succeeding members will pay \$10 each.

Pro: Local mailings could be limited to one mailing when more than one member lives at the same address. Possibly the \$5 reduction would then promote more memberships.

Con: Dues were raised to \$15 last year. If this were really necessary, then we should not reduce anyone's membership.

Under Article IV, Sec. 1, Number, Manner of Selection and Term of Office, add The president shall be limited to two consecutive terms of office.

Pro: The League should never be in the position of depending on the leadership of one person. New ideas and types of leadership should always be infiltrating the League.

Con: Such a restriction should not be written into the Bylaws. This might bind future boards in an emergency situation.

--Helen Gibbins, Chairman
Bylaws Committee

BOOK NOOK

The Primary Ballot in West Virginia, 1973, \$1.00, League of Women Voters of West Virginia. League study book for Election Laws unit. On sale at unit meetings.

Land Use at the State Level: The Growing Edge, #292, 50¢. League of Women Voters of the U. S., 1730 M St. N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. On subscription service and on sale at unit meetings.

Safe Drinking Water For All: What you Can Do, #247, 25¢. League of Women Voters of the U. S., etc.

Government of the United States of America, 1973; 25¢. Overseas Education Fund of The League of Women Voters, 1730 M St. N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. The pamphlet was designed for foreign visitors to the United States, but it could be useful to use in the classroom and other purposes.

Election Check-up: Monitoring, Registration and Voting, #270, 35¢. League of Women Voters Education Fund, 1730 M St., N. W., Washington, D. C. 20036. Tells organizations how to set up a monitoring project.

Making It Work: A Guide to Training Election Workers, #271, 35¢. League of Women Voters of the United States, etc.

Voters Service Citizen Alert 1973: Registration and Absentee Voting Procedures by States, 1973, #295, 25¢. League of Women Voters of the United States, etc.

Trade is Vital to West Virginia. Free. Suitable to give to legislators and schools. Call Clair Matz, if you can use copies.

Betty Barrett has a number of copies of the next two brochures on hand. Call her if you can use some.

You and Your Vote in West Virginia, 5¢. Suitable to give to newcomers and 18 year old voters.

Where There's a Will, There's a Way, League of Women Voters. Excellent for giving to lawyers.

Redress of Consumer Grievances, Report of the National Institute of Justice. Treats consumer problems in general, and in particular, consumer problems of the poor, and the court systems which deal with these problems. Betty Barrett has a copy that she will lend to anyone who is interested.

WHERE THE ACTION IS!

Let's Hear From You! The "Bulletin" invites all members of League to express personal views concerning suggested program items, action ideas, etc. in future editions. Now is the time to present new program topics to the Board. The deadline for the national program is before January 29, 1974; the program topics for the local program is before February 26. Remember, the criteria for League program demand that the items come within the principles of the League, be a timely problem which can be met through government, and one on which the League can be effective.

Where the Action Is, Continued

Evening with the Legislators. League is appreciative of the attendance of the Cabell and Wayne legislators at our November 30 meeting, and we thank Ruth Sullivan for being our hostess.

Human Rights. ERA was the emphasis of the interview of Pat Hartman and Ginna Colburn on Noon News, Channel 13, WHTN.

Timber. WMUL is using League's publication, "Forest Practices", as resource background for a program on West Virginia.

Joan Mitchell, Timber Chairman, calls attention to the following news item:

"ELKINS, W. Va.--U. S. District Court Judge Robert E. Maxwell, of Elkins, in late December issued an order requiring the U. S. Forest Service to revise its regulations, manual and contracts by July 1, 1974, to comply with his November 6 ruling prohibiting clearcutting in the Monongahela National Forest.

"Forest Supervisor Al Troutt said the order could affect timbering on all national forests although the suit brought by several conservation organizations deals specifically only with timbering practices on the 820,000-acre Monongahela National Forest.

"Troutt predicted that all timbering on the forest will stop as of December 31, 1974, unless Judge Maxwell's decision is reversed.

"Clearcutting is the controversial timbering technique in which all trees in a given plot are harvested, regardless of age or desirability"

D. C. Home Rule: Joan Czarnecki, president of LWV of the District of Columbia, writes: "Jan Eichhorn and Al Kamen of the Self Determination office asked me to tell you that without the fantastic League effort, Home Rule would never have become a reality. They wish they could hug every one of you--as do we!" She also asks that we vote to keep Representative Government for District of Columbia to be an item on the national program.

Employment Help For Women. Catalyst, the national nonprofit organization that works to expand career opportunities for college-educated women, invites the members of the League of Women Voters of the U. S. to participate in its Roster, a national computerized listing by identification number of immediately employable women. The Roster is open to women age 24 and over who have completed at least one year of college and who seek administrative, managerial, professional or technical positions on either full-time or part-time schedules. This includes women who are currently employed and seeking advancement within their fields as well as those who seek to re-enter the labor force after an absence.

To be listed on the Roster, a woman must request from Catalyst, a one-page resume form. To request a resume form, a flier on the publications or a list of Network Centers, contact Catalyst National Headquarters, 6 East 82 Street, New York, New York 10028.

Call Betty Barrett or Beth Bauserman for additional details.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF WEST VIRGINIA

CONSENSUS POSITIONS

Civil Service

The League of Women Voters of West Virginia supports strengthening and extending the civil service system to include employees of all state departments and agencies. (May 5, 1951)

Constitutional Revision

The League of Women Voters of West Virginia:

1. Favors a unified court system for West Virginia and replacement of the Justices of the Peace system by a minor judiciary staffed with adequately trained and competent judges. (November 20, 1961)
2. Opposes constitutional limitation of the state income tax. (January 15, 1962)
3. Supports revision to strengthen the executive branch of state government including two terms for the governor, an executive budget, a 2/3 vote for veto override, a shorter ballot, and consolidation of executive departments. (January 15, 1962, reworded April 12, 1972)
4. Advocates the calling of a convention to revise the Constitution of West Virginia. The League further urges that delegates be selected on a basis which de-emphasizes partisanship and which insures the representation of the broad and varied interests of the citizens of West Virginia. (February 1, 1965)
5. Supports revision of the provisions relating to county government to provide alternative forms of county government, including a single executive form, home rule, and city-county consolidation. The League also supports measures which will encourage and facilitate intergovernmental cooperation and consolidation of services and functions. (February 1, 1965, reworded April 12, 1972)
6. Supports revisions which would (1) ease constitutional restrictions on the taxation of local property; (2) ease constitutional limitations on local borrowing powers; (3) permit approval of local excess levies and bond issues by a simple majority vote. (April 7, 1967 & April 5, 1968)

Education

The League of Women Voters of West Virginia:

1. Supports measures contributing to improved finance and organization in public education. (April 4, 1959)
2. Agreed that (1) the functions of the State Board of School Finance should be transferred to the State Board of Education; (2) there should be a more adequately financed school founda-

tion program for the children of West Virginia. This requires increased local and state support. Emphasis should be given to increased local support through such measures as statewide property reappraisal. (November 21, 1960)

3. Supports expanded vocational and technical education programs for persons of all ages in the state as well as present efforts to strengthen basic education. Such programs must include introductory training at the high school level; and guidance, placement, and follow-up services must be expanded to make them most effective. Such programs should have adequate state financing in order to make maximum use of available funds and they should be based on sound planing and constant review at the state and local levels to provide teacher training, curricula, and facilities that will meet projected labor market trends. The League endorses the institution of vocational and technical teacher training programs in state-supported schools of higher education. However, qualification requirements should be flexible so local school boards can draw qualified personnel from business and industry.. Research and development programs should be expanded to insure maintenance of up-to-date and economical programs. (November 13, 1967 & January 13, 1969)

Election Laws

The League of Women Voters of West Virginia:

1. Supports measures to encourage effective administration and vigorous enforcement of the West Virginia election code in order to serve the voter with maximum convenience, simplicity, and impartiality. Although in general the code is satisfactory, the League favors changes which would promote voter education, improve administration, strengthen enforcement, and clarify the law to insure an equitable and uniform election process and to minimize the opportunities for fraud. (November 17, 1970)
2. Supports measures which would insure full disclosure of campaign financing information by candidates and committees, promote ethical campaign practices, and provide enforcement at the state level. (November 4, 1972)

Environment Quality

The League of Women Voters of West Virginia:

1. Favors support of strong laws to prevent and abate water pollution with adequate staff and financing to enforce such laws. (April 9, 1965)
2. Believes that surface mining should be rigidly controlled. In the event that such control is not possible, the League believes that the right to engage in surface mining should be abolished. (January 4, 1972)
3. Believes that the most desireable goal in managing solid waste is recycling, encouraged by governmental leadership. When recycling is not feasible, the government should provide for and strictly regulate other acceptable means of collection and

- disposal, preferably on a regional basis. (January 23, 1973)
4. Supports legislation which would establish specific rights to the use of all water based on a permit system, recognize the hydrological cycle, reserve the waters of the state to its use, and permit the Water Resources Board to allocate water in times of short supply, giving human needs first consideration. (January 23, 1973)

Human Resources

The League of Women Voters of West Virginia favors state legislation that would provide an opportunity for housing for all persons free of discriminatory restrictions. (November 18, 1969)

Legislature

The League of Women Voters of West Virginia:

1. Supports adequate legislative salaries by legislative determination, with allowances for per diem expenses during special sessions and interim committee activities; elimination of the budget session and the holding of regular annual sessions of not less than sixty days; the exclusion from legislative service of officeholders and employees of this state, the United States, or foreign governments, as well as the currently excluded local officials; a gubernatorial veto to be overridden by a 2/3 vote of the Legislature. (April 4, 1970)
2. Supports changes in the rules and procedures of the West Virginia Legislature which would promote greater public access to legislative proceedings and records, including roll call votes; and recommends that adequate supportive services be provided for the Legislature. (June 9, 1970)
3. Supports apportionment of the West Virginia Legislature every ten years, based upon the United States census figures, in accordance with the following principles: one-man, one-vote representation, preservation of the integrity of county lines in so far as possible, compactness and contiguousness of districts, and prohibition against the use of overlaid districts. The League believes that these principles should be insured by incorporation into the West Virginia Constitution and that remedial provisions should be provided in the event that the Legislature fails to reapportion. (January 23, 1973)

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF WEST VIRGINIA

Criteria for Action on Consensus Positions

ELECTION LAWS

Election Procedures (November 17, 1970)

Administration

1. Leagues feel that the first step in obtaining an effective system is to make provisions for better training of personnel and election workers.
2. Leagues mentioned such inequities as Board of Canvassers members being candidates and counting their own election, relatives of candidates, or all of one party.
3. Responsibility for voter education should be designated to some official such as the Secretary of State or a board such as the Election Commission.
4. Failure to adhere to or enforce the code creates most of the problems rather than inadequacy of the code itself.
5. Although modernization of the departments, centralization at both county and state levels, or changes in materials are desirable, these are of low priority to League members.
6. Leagues will support higher salaries or budgets only if better training is included.
7. Leagues recognize the need to work under our position at both state level and in their own counties on specific problems such as obtaining voting machines, improving polling places and precincts, redistricting, and seeing to it that officials carry out the code or enforce it.
8. Leagues definitely feel that election day procedures need improvement to guarantee secrecy, minimize fraud, and encourage a simple, convenient, impartial system. Better counting methods, voter assistance, improved ballots, signing the registration book rather than poll slips, tamperproof poll books, and restrictions as to persons holding office serving as election workers were some suggestions.
9. Leagues also recognize the inequities between laws concerning voting by paper ballot and by machine; members wish for more uniformity.

Enforcement

1. Leagues strongly feel that enforcement on all levels is inadequate.
2. The main changes recommended by members provide for enforcement on the state level either by the Secretary of State or the Attorney General, especially to deal with local election officials that are not carrying out their duties or situations not being enforced at the local level. In the words of one League, the present code puts too much of the burden for adequate enforcement on the individual citizen.
3. Leagues did not feel that making penalties more severe would pre-

vent fraud. They are willing, however, to accept stiffer penalties for the buyer of votes.

4. Authorized observers at the polls would not be opposed by League members, but most feel it is impractical.

Code

Although in general it is adequate, members recommend measures to clarify, "tighten up", meet the needs of a mobile society, provide uniform treatment, minimize fraud, and aid administration and enforcement.

Campaign Practices (November 14, 1972)

1. All Candidates and independent campaign committees (including those working on ballot issues) should file financial statements as under present West Virginia law, including addresses, listing of bank depositories, and complete information about each campaign committee. The records should be kept for the duration of the office sought.
2. The records should be summarized for distribution to newspapers and availability to the public.
3. A state agency should be charged with auditing reports for accuracy.
4. Limits should be placed on amounts of contributions but not on eligibility to contribute.
5. To insure more ethical campaigning, the League supports a candidate's "right to reply", Fair Campaign Practices Committees, and a candidate's responsibility for campaign literature used in his behalf.
6. The power of law enforcement should be vested in the state level as well as the local levels.
7. The League encourages public broadcasting agencies to devote adequate time to candidates and campaign issues.

ENVIRONMENT QUALITY

Surface Mining (January 4, 1972)

1. The League believes the following criteria should govern surface mining regulations: future use of mined lands, aesthetics, protection of wildlife, preservation of land for a stable life system, effect on adjacent land and water, state tax monies, and corporation profits.
2. The League further holds that surface mining companies should operate under a "no damage, total reclamation" policy; that reclamation should provide maximum protection to watersheds and adjoining properties; and that the state should be responsible for the administrative supervision of the reclamation of orphaned lands.
3. The League believes the trend toward nationwide "energy complexes"

- and long-range deep mine contracts places an excessive burden on West Virginia to supply coal.
4. On the question of aesthetics, the League strongly supports the protection of natural scenic areas, public lands, waterways, and neighboring farms and homes from the adverse effects of surface mining.
 5. A state plan should be formulated to prevent future misuse of land

LEGISLATURE

Rules and Procedures (June 9, 1970)

The rules and procedures consensus position includes support of:

1. Requiring roll call votes on the passage of bills and definitive committee action.
2. Requiring that generally committee meetings should be held open to the public and that records of their meetings be made easily available to the public.
3. Requiring adequate public notice be given prior to committee hearings.
4. Requiring transcriptions of floor proceedings and making them easily available to the public.
5. Making sufficient clerical help and space available to the Legislature.
6. Further reduction of the number of legislative committees.
7. The present method of assigning committee membership.