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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2409

Senate Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 02/06/03

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Minutes:

Senator Karen Krebsbach, Chairman opens SB 2409. All senators present.

Al Jaeger, Secretary of State goes over fiscal note. Each state receives a minimum of

\$5,000,000 and deposits that into a separate account. That is why the fiscal note shows

\$5,000,000.

Cory Fong, Deputy Secretary of State (Testimony attached)

Senator Krebsbach : In section 31 the repeal is relating to voting machines?

Fong: Yes, voting machines and punch cards.

Senator Dever : The HAVA had some exclusions for ND could you explain those.

Fong: The exclusion did apply to North Dakota specifically because HAVA requires now every

state to have a voter registration system to develop a centralized voter registration system. HAVA

requires then to have one statewide system. The language of the law could have prompted us to

have voter's registration so we were excluded from that division.

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Senate Government and Veterans Affairs Committee Bill/Resolution Number SB 2409 Hearing Date 02/06/03

Senator Dever : The administration of election fund is that involve shifting funds to political

subs?

Fong: Yes, eventually it will. As part of HAVA it is the job of our office to develop a state plan. the state plan will tell how dollars will be shifted how formulas will be created.

Closed SB 2409

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2409

Senate Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 02/13/03

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Minutes:

Senator Karen Krebsbach, Chairman reopens SB 2409. All senators present.

Senator Nelson moves to adopt amendments

Senator Wardner seconds

Senator Nelson: Maybe we should put an emergency clause on this.

Cory Fong, Deputy Secretary of State: There would be no harm in putting an emergency clause

on this. We learned this morning that we have secured the funding for HAVA. We will be

subjected to get the \$5 million from Congress ASAP.

Senator Nelson moves we add an emergency clause to the amendment

Senator Wardner seconds

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Senator Dever moves Do Pass as amended

Senator Brown 2nd 6 Yes 0 No Carrier : Senator Nelson

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FISCAL NOTE Requested by Legislative Council 03/25/2003

Amendment to:

SB 2409

1A. State fiscal effect: Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

	2001-2003	Biennium	2003-2005	Biennium	2005-2007 Biennium		
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	
Revenues	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$4,150,000	\$0	\$0	
Expenditures	\$0	\$14,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$5,000,000	
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,500,000	\$0	\$0	

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

2001	I-2003 Bienn	lum	2003	3-2005 Blenn	lum	200	5-2007 Bienri	lum
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2. Narrative: Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.

The amendments do not change the content of this fiscal note from that when it was originally submitted except it was since learned that the state is eligible to receive an additional \$4,150,000 during the biennium, which is being reflected in SB 2002. The revenue block also reflects the new time line for receipt of the funds, which was not known when the intitial fiscal note was prepared.

The purpose of this bill is to put into place the laws needed to administer the provisions of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA), which was passed by the Congress and signed into law by the President of the United States in October of 2002. The monies will be received and deposited in a dedicated HAVA election fund being established in the agency's appropriation bill, SB 2002. The funds will be used to replace punch card voting equipment; improve the administration of elections; educate voters about voting procedures, rights, and technology; training election officials and poll workers; develop a state plan; enhance voting systems and voter accessibility; etc.

3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:

A. Revenues: Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

The \$5,000,000 was appropriated by Congress and the bill signed by the President on February 20, 2003. It is expected that these funds will be received in May 2003. The additional funds are expected late in 2003 or early 2004. The time item authorization to receive and accept these funds is being established in SB 2002, which is the agency's appropriation bill. This section of SB 2002 has an emergency clause that will allow for the use of these federal funds before the end of the 2001-2003 biennium as well as continuing on into the 2003-2005 biennium. In addition, Congress has identified these funds as "no year money." This means that these specific federal funds do not have to be expended by a specific time or by the end of any federal fiscal year.

B. Expenditures: Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

The implementation timeline of HAVA is such that most of the expenditures will be made during the 2003-2005 biennium and the 2005-2007 biennium for the purposes listed in the narrative. At this time, it is too early to determine if there will be a financial impact to the counties.

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C. Appropriations: Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the blennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.

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The funds to be appropriated for the purpose of this bill are in SB 2002, which is the agency's appropriation bill. Therefore, there is no specific appropriation request connected with this bill.

Name:	Al Jaeger	Agency:	Secretary of State	
Phone Number:	328-2900	Date Prepared:	03/25/2003	

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	2001-2003	Biennium	2003-2005	Blennium	2005-2007	Biennium
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$14,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,100,000
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

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\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:

A. Revenues: Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

The \$5,000,000 was appropriated by Congress and the bill signed by the President on February 20, 2003. The line item authorization to receive and accept these funds is being established in \$B 2002, which is the agency's appropriation bill. This section of SB 2002 has an emergency clause that will allow for the use of these federal funds before the end of the 2001-2003 biennium as well as continuing on into the 2003-2005 biennium. In addition, Congress has identified these funds as "no year money." This means that these specific federal funds do not have to be expended by a specific time or by the end of any federal fiscal year.

B. Expenditures: Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

The implementation timeline of HAVA is such that most of the expenditures will be made during the 2003-2005 blennium for the purposes listed in the narrative. At this time, it is too early to determine if there will be a financial impact to the counties.

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Name:	Al Jaeger	Agency:	Secretary of State
Phone Number:	328-2900	Date Prepared:	02/28/2003

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FISCAL NOTE Requested by Legislative Council 01/28/2003

Bill/Resolution No.: \$B 2409

1A. State fiscal effect: Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

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Revenues	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$14,000	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$2,100,000
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0

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 - A. Revenues: Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

It is anticipated that the \$5,000,000 will be appropriated by Congress prior to the end of the state's 2001-2003 biennium. The line item authorization to receive and accept these funds is being established in SB 2002, which is the agency's appropriation bill. This section of SB 2002 has an emergency clause that will allow for the use of these federal funds before the end of the 2001-2003 biennium as well as continuing on into the 2003-2005 biennium. In addition, Congress has identified these funds as "no year money." This means that these specific federal funds do not have to be expended by a specific time or by the end of any federal fiscal year.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) February 14, 2003 8:04 a.m.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2409: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Krebsbach, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2409 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 12, remove "and"

Page 1, line 15, after "machines" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 14, line 6, overstrike "and before and after the counting of the ballots at"

Page 14, line 7, overstrike "each election"

Page 14, line 8, overstrike *, programs,*

Page 23, after line 5, insert:

"SECTION 32. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.*

Renumber accordingly





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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2409

House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 3-21-03

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Minutes: <u>Chairman Klein</u>; called the hearing to order on SB 2409. All committee members were present.

Corv Fong. Deputy. Secretary of State. North Dakota: appeared in support of SB 2409 and provided a written statement (SEE ATTACHED TESTIMONY).

<u>Representative Klein</u>: basically we are helping out those counties that haven't upgraded.

<u>Representative Williams:</u> here we have HAVA, there became a creditability problem, I think it is important that in your rule making authority, your not going to try to go way beyond HAVA, and what the states comply.

<u>Corv Fong</u>: we need this bill to pass so that we can make the step forward to make a state plan, we are not going to get the 4.15 million, if we don't put in to place a state plan, and part of that state plan is people from the county auditors office, disabilities committees, voter interest groups, and people from our office, this process will be very detailed.

Representative Sitte: what will the new voting systems look like?

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<u>Corv Fong:</u> they look a lot like a lap top, they have a flat screen, they have a flat screen, and they prevent over voting, they prevent you from double voting, the other system is kind of a box with a device to put the ballot in them, some of our precincts already have them across the state.

<u>Representative Klein:</u> random order, would you explain that a little bit?

<u>Cory Fong:</u> what that refers to that each system will have to show how voters voted and that will have to be done in a random way so you couldn't associate a vote to a person who voted.

<u>Representative Kasper</u>: when you get into deciding which ballot system will be used in North Dakota, do you have the power, or will every precinct use the same system, or are each county auditor decide which one they will use?

<u>Cory Fong</u>: that is probably one of the most talked about issues at the national level right now, is the approach to take, as one voter moves from once precinct to another there not startled by the change in voting system, uniformity, equal protection issues.

<u>Representative Winrich</u>: under the current law if a person is in line to vote at closing time at the polls, they have to be allowed to come in and vote, if there were a court order to extend the hours will they have to vote on a provisional ballot even if they were in line at the regular closing time? <u>Cory Fong</u>: current law does state if you are in line you will vote, that would take precedence, any one that came after the polls have closed, those are the folks that would use the provisional ballot.

<u>Al Jaeger. Secretary of State:</u> appeared in support of SB 2409. As you can see this is the heart and soul of HAVA, a lot of the questions to relate to the testimony given yesterday. Since October we have been working really hard, training with voters, we have a excellent working relationship with our county auditors, not all states have this, what HAVA does, is when the

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county makes mistakes they will be coming to the state department, we will be held accountable for what happens at the county level. We are now placed at a different level of responsibility, all of us. The first 5 million dollars requires no match, the auditing requirements are different, and the fact is HAVA is fully funded.

Jennifer Ring. ACLU: a couple of the questions that have come up, one of the things that have come up is the committee should be thinking about is that there is an equal protection question in the uniformity of elections across the state. Rich areas, wealthy counties will get the up to date equipment and the poorer counties will get the less accurate voting systems, lesser education on how to do the voting. If you could, come up with a uniform state voting system, you would be saving yourselves potential law suits in the future.

Representative Grande: moved to AMEND SB 2409.

Representative Sitte: SECOND the motion to amend SB 2409.

Representative Grande: made a **DO PASS AS AMENDED** motion on SB 2409.

<u>Representative Sitte: SECOND</u> the do pass as amended motion.

VOTE: 12-YES 0-NO 2-ABSENT (TIEMAN, HAAS).

Motion carried.

Representative Klein: will carry the bill to the floor.

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Adopted by the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee March 21, 2003 ¢,

House Amendments to Engrossed SB 2409 - Government and Veterans Affairs Committee 03/24/2003

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "and" with a comma

Page 1, line 2, after "16.1-06" insert ", and a new section to chapter 16.1-13"

Page 1, line 3, replace "and adopting rules to establish" with ", the establishment of"

Page 1, line 4, after "systems" insert ", and the casting of ballots after poll closings"

Page 1, line 6, after the sixth comma insert "16.1-06-19,"

House Amendments to Engrossed SB 2409 - Government and Veterans Affairs Committee 03/24/2003

Page 5, line 13, replace "adopt rules for the purpose of establishing" with "establish"

Page 5, line 14, replace "may adopt rules" with "shall"

Page 5, line 15, remove "according to subsection 3 of section 16.1-01-01 to"

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) March 24, 2003 9:19 a.m.

Module No: HR-52-5489 Carrier: M. Klein Insert LC: 38371.0301 Title: .0400

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2409, as engrossed: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. M. Klein, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS and BE REREFERRED to the Appropriations Committee (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2409 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "and" with a comma

Page 1, line 2, after "16.1-06" insert ", and a new section to chapter 16.1-13"

Page 1, line 3, replace "and adopting rules to establish" with ", the establishment of"

Page 1, line 4, after "systems" insert ", and the casting of ballots after poll closings"

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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2409

House Appropriations Committee

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Hearing Date March 26, 2003

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Minutes:

<u>REP. SVEDJAN</u> Called the committee to order.

REP. MATT KLEIN Stated this bill was a result of the federal government's "Helping Americans Vote Act". Because of the problems they had at the last election, the federal government passed this bill which put new requirements on the Secretary of State. In the federal budget there is some 8 million dollars to let the states set this up. The Secretary of State has that in his budget, along with the fiscal note which explains how this is set up. He went through the sections of the bill explaining what each section did.

REP. KEMPENICH Asked whether there would still be paper ballots, or is it all going electronic?

REP. KLEIN All that I understand we have to get right now is the punch card system. Eventually, the standardization when they meet with all of the county auditors, there will be some guidelines as to what is acceptable and what is not. And, when it comes to electronic

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voting systems, the Secretary of State will have the authority to say what is going to be purchased. **REP. KOPPLEMAN** It appears both the bills SB 2409 and SB 2394 have the same five million dollars this biennium in the fiscal note, in terms of federal revenue. Why is that?

REP. SVEDJAN Stated the new fiscal note dated March 25, for SB 2409, is a total of 9.59. I believe that was because an additional 4.5, was coming in. The original fiscal note is incorrect.

REP. KOPPLEMAN Stated he was looking at the current biennium. Both fiscal notes seem to have the same dollars on the revenue side of the fiscal note, is there a division of these dollars, or don't we know that.

REP. KLEIN Stated he couldn't answer that question, he thought it was one fund it went into, and will be utilized in various ways, whether it is for voting machines or guidelines, or whatever.

REP. AARSVOLD Asked whether there are fiscal implications for the counties to carry out the election proceedings.

REP. KLEIN There are some counties that will gain, like Williams County who has the old punch card machines. Those will be paid for out of this system. There will be some costs.

REP. AARSVOLD For those counties that have paper ballots, will they meet the federal test? **REP. KLEIN** They do.

He went on to explain how SB 2394 works with this bill also. He went on to explain the division of amendments on the House floor. The Minority division was going to go back to voting whereever you want to. That is the only division.

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REP. WALD Do we vote by any other means than some kind of a ballot, whether it be paper or in our city, we mark them and count them. Is there some kind of electronic device, where it would be difficult for a recount.

REP. KLEIN Not to my knowledge, there are some other methods that could be used in the future, there could even be a touch screen that would meet the requirements. This is where the Secretary of State has to set the guidelines of what is acceptable.

REF: WALD The touch screen wouldn't be any kind of record other than what the electronic machine kicks out.

REP. KLEIN Yes, the requirements are in there to have a record. The system is set up so that the machine could identify what precincts or districts they are.

REP. KEMPENICH Made a motion for a DO PASS

<u>REP. KOPPLEMAN</u> Second the motion. MOTION CARRIED 21 YES

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February 6, 2003

TO: Senator Karen Krebsbach and Members of the Senate Government and Veteran's Affairs Committee

FR: Cory G. Fong, Deputy Secretary of State

RE: Senate Bill No. 2409 – Election Reform and Compliance with HAVA

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TO: Representative Matt Klein and Members of the House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

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- Changes the number of voting booths or compartments and electronic voting system devices required in each precinct. (Section 22 and proposed amendments)
- Requires voters who cast ballots as a result of a polling place or precinct remaining open after normal voting hours by court order to cast provisional ballots in accordance with HAVA. Provisional ballot cast according to this provision must be segregated from other votes cast. (proposed amendments)

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