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REPORT TO THE CONVENTION BY THE  
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Subject: Committee Recommendation No. 53

Your Committee on Governmental Institutions recommends that the Convention, meeting in Committee of the Whole, adopt the attached constitutional amendment with respect to requiring a candidate for the house of senate to be a registered voter in the senatorial district where he is a candidate.

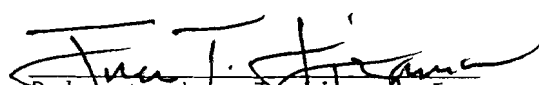
Your Committee's recommended constitutional amendment would ensure a closer interaction between the candidate and the people of the senatorial district in which he seeks office, and it would encourage the candidate to be more informed of the needs and interests of the people in his senatorial district.

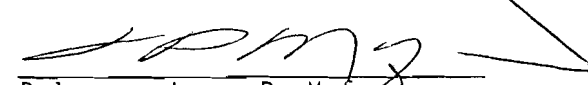
Your Committee finds that the proposed amendment will help to assure better communication between the candidate and the people in the senatorial district and will contribute to a more efficient, relevant, people oriented government.

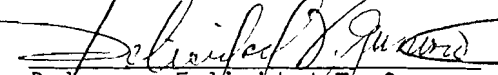
Delegate Proposal: The only delegate proposal relating to residence requirements of a candidate for the senate referred to your Committee on Governmental Institutions was Delegate Proposal No. 201-85. The Committee's recommendation carries the full intent of that delegate proposal.


Therefore, your Committee urges that the Convention delegates provide unanimous support and endorsement to the attached recommendation for amendment to the Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

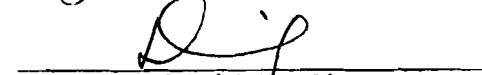
  
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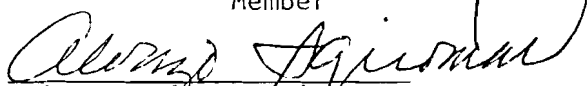
  
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21 PASSED SECOND AND FINAL READING ON JULY 16, 1985.

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*Reviewed by the  
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