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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 121, L.D. 374, Bill, "An Act To Create a Protected Zone around the Voting Place"

Amend the amendment in paragraph D by striking out all of subparagraphs (2) and (3) (page 1, lines 49 to 51 and page 2, lines 2 to 4 in amendment) and inserting in their place the following:

'(2) The municipal clerk may deny space to any petition circulators who have not notified the clerk by noon of the day before election day that they wish to collect signatures on election day;

'(3) The warden may limit the number of petition circulators and opponents for each specific question or issue if space is constrained or unavailable;'

Further amend the amendment in paragraph D by striking out all of subparagraph (5) (page 2, lines 17 to 19 in amendment) and inserting in its place the following:

'(5) Within the voting place, a petition circulator or opponent may not approach a voter or collect a voter's signature until after the voter has completed voting;'

SENATE AMENDMENT

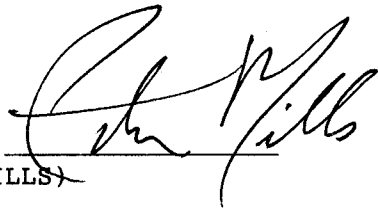
SUMMARY

This amendment alters Committee Amendment "A" in the following ways.

1. It permits a municipal clerk to deny access to the voting place if a circulator fails to notify the clerk by noon of the day before the election day of an intention to collect signatures.

2. It replaces the provision in the committee amendment that limits the number of circulators and opponents to one per question or issue with a new provision that permits the warden to limit the number based on the space available.

3. It provides that the restriction against approaching a voter before that voter votes applies only to activity within the voting place.

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