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BILL SUMMARIES
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ELECTION LAWS

BILL SUMMARY



MAY, 1984

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2350 AN ACT TO ALLOW STATE
PARTY COMMITTEES TO
ESTABLISH THE TIME FOR
ELECTING THEIR OFFICERS

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ND ID 2022 ENACT PL C. 757

SUMMARY: The original bill removes the requirement that State political party Committees be elected within 30 days of the party's convention.

The new draft incorporates the provisions of the original bill and removes the requirement that the names and residences of committee chairs, secretaries and members be reported to the Secretary of State within 60 days of the convention and substitutes reporting within 20 days of selection.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" (H-625): Adds an emergency preamble. (ADOPTED)

2351 AN ACT TO PLACE LIMITA-TIONS ON THE CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH CANDIDATES MAY RECEIVE FROM POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEES Study Bill ONTP (MAJ)
(Minority Rpt) OTP-ND ID 2448 (MIN)
OTP (MIN)
SEN-ACCPT CNTP RPT
HOUSE-INDEF PP

SUMMARY: Would have established limits on the amount of PAC contributions which could be received by candidates for various state offices. The limits were \$45,000 for Governor, \$1,000 for the Senate, \$500 for the House and \$250 for another State office. The limits would have been adjusted for inflation. The limits were not to apply to contributions by political parties.

2358 AN ACT TO ALLOW MUNICI-PALITIES TO USE OUTGOING VOTER CHECK LISTS Danton

ND ID 1840 ENACT PL C. 728

SUMMARY: The original bill would have allowed municipalities to provide by ordinance for the use of an outgoing voter check list.

The new draft allows use of an outgoing check list if established by vote of the municipal officers, reduces from 4 to 2 the number of ballot clerks required when a municipality establishes voting districts (which is consistent with a law enacted last session) and adds an emergency preamble.

2448 RESOLVE, CREATING A SPECIAL COMMISSION ON CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

ND ID 2351

SUMMARY: A committee minority report on LD 2351 which would have created a special commission to study finance reform, including public financing. Not considered by either