

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1228

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 34-303, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE THE
MINIMUM AGE FOR A STUDENT TO BE APPOINTED TO AN ELECTION BOARD AND TO
MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 34-303, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
amended to read as follows:

34-303. APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES BY COUNTY CLERK. (1) The
county clerk shall appoint two (2) or more election judges, one (1) of whom
shall be designated chief judge, and the number of clerks deemed necessary by
him for each polling place. In the event a single polling place is designated
for two (2) or more precincts, an individual may serve simultaneously on the
election board for two (2) or more precincts thus served by a single polling
place. The precinct committeemen shall recommend persons for the position
in their respective precincts to the county clerk in writing at least ten
(10) days prior to the date on which any appointment shall be made and the
county clerk shall appoint the judges from such lists if the persons recom-
mended are qualified.

(2) The chief election judge shall be responsible for the conduct of the
proceedings in the polling place. Compensation for all election personnel
shall be determined by the board of county commissioners, and not less than
the minimum wage as prescribed by the laws of the state of Idaho.

(3) Each election board shall contain personnel representing all ex-
isting political parties if a list of applicants has been provided to the
county clerk by the precinct committeemen of the precincts at least sixty
(60) days prior to the primary election.

(4) In order to provide for a greater awareness of the election process,
the rights and responsibilities of voters and the importance of participat-
ing in the electoral process, as well as to provide additional members of
precinct boards, a county clerk may appoint not more than two (2) students
per precinct to serve under the direct supervision of election board members
designated by the county clerk. A student may be appointed, notwithstanding
lack of eligibility to vote, if the student possesses the following qualifi-
cations:

(1a) Is at least ~~seventeen~~ sixteen (176) years of age at the time of
the election for which he or she is serving as a member of an election
board; and

(2b) Is a citizen of the United States.