

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 202

Introduced by Avery, 28.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study the issue of election day registration. Eight states plus the District of Columbia presently offer election day registration, allowing any qualified resident to go to the polls or election official's office on election day to register that day and then vote. Another three states have enacted election day registration but have not yet implemented it. Over the last two bienniums, the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee has heard several bills on the topic of election day registration, but no bill has ever been advanced to the full Legislature. The issues to be examined by this interim study shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) Whether it is more appropriate to have a citizen register and vote on election day at the polling site or at the county clerk or election commissioner's office;

(2) What type of identification is necessary for citizens who wish to register and vote on election day; and

(3) How other states are implementing and using election day registration.

Representatives of the Secretary of State's office and county officials, along with other interested parties, shall be invited to participate in this study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.