

Cast your vote.

Has every delegate voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

Delegate Boyce.

DELEGATE BOYCE: Just in light of the resolution last night and the game tomorrow, I would like to answer this one Aye Aye, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: The Clerk will record the vote.

There being 89 votes in the affirmative and 4 in the negative the motion is carried and the amendment is adopted.

Any amendments to section 4.24?

The Chair hears none.

Any amendments to 4.25?

Delegate Sickles.

DELEGATE SICKLES: I do have an amendment to section 4.25. I do not think it is completed yet. I looked a few minutes ago.

If we could come back to this section when it is completed, I will appreciate it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Very well.

Any other amendments to Section 4.25?

The Chair hears none.

Any amendments to Section 4.26?

The Chair hears none.

Any amendments to Section 4.27?

The Chair hears none.

Delegate Byrnes.

DELEGATE BYRNES: Mr. Chairman, I presume by that you mean line 12, state's attorneys?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

DELEGATE BYRNES: I would like to call for Amendment B.

THE CHAIRMAN: The Chair incorrectly referred to it as section 4.27. It is Section "Blank."

It shall be Amendment No. 25. The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 25 to Committee Recommendation EB-1 by Delegate Byrnes: On page 10 Section , State's Attorney, line 19, after the period insert the following:

"Candidates for the office of state's attorney may cross file in party primary elections and shall run in party primary elections and in general elections without party designation."

THE CHAIRMAN: The amendment is proposed by Delegate Byrnes; is there a second?

*(The amendment was duly seconded.)*

THE CHAIRMAN: The amendment having been seconded, the Chair recognizes Delegate Byrnes to speak to the amendment.

Under the rules, Delegate Byrnes is allowed ten minutes to speak in favor of the amendment including questions. If there are any questions to be asked the sponsor, please ask them now.

Delegate Byrnes.

DELEGATE BYRNES: Mr. Chairman, this is an outgrowth of a number of proposals submitted earlier by the delegates of the Committee. The essence of them all is to recognize that the present term of state's attorneys and jurisdictions is not responsive to the modern problem presented by the crime enforcement problem.

We originally suggested that there be an appointed state's attorney in certain districts established by law. It has come to my attention that subsequently it developed that there was not a great deal of support for this, virtually none. In the spirit of compromise that we are in, I being the sole dissenter with 141 against me, I suggest that we may want to compromise here too.

For those who were not present at the time I questioned Delegate Morgan when he presented the executive branch recommendation, I asked him three very important questions.

I asked him first of all whether or not the executive branch had originally decided to put in the scheduled legislation the language of this amendment, and his answer was yes.

Then I asked him whether or not it had been withdrawn, because it had been suggested to him that this was inappropriate to the scheduled legislation, and he said yes again.

Thirdly, I asked him whether or not the state's attorneys who had testified before that Committee had indicated that they would look with favor upon this kind of