

A PROPOSAL that a state's attorney for each county and Baltimore City, shall be elected by the voters on a nonpartisan basis for a term of six years.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 353 is referred to the Committee on the Executive Branch.

Delegate Proposal No. 354. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 354, by Delegate Johnson. Title,

A PROPOSAL that judges of the appellate courts shall be appointed by the governor from a list of three to five eligible persons nominated by a judicial nominating commission of six lawyers and six laymen; that judges of the trial courts shall be appointed by the governor after consideration of nominations proposed by lawyers, practicing in the county or district where the vacancy exists; that at the next general statewide election following the expiration of one year from the date of appointment, and every twelve years thereafter, judges of the appellate courts shall be subject to approval or rejection by the electorate of the State; that at the next gubernatorial general election following the date of appointment, judges of the trial courts shall be subject to approval or rejection by the electorate of the respective county or district, for a term of sixteen years, and if elected, shall be subject thereafter to approval or rejection every eight years; and that commissioners of the District Court, and clerks of court shall be appointed.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 354 is referred to the Committee on the Judicial Branch.

Delegate Proposal No. 355. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 355, by Delegates Sybert, Armor, Carson, Cicone, Fornos, Harris, Pullen, Kathleen Robie, Rollins, Stern, Vecera, Willis, and Wheatley. Title,

A PROPOSAL that establishes the qualifications, election, term of office, powers, and duties of the comptroller of the treasury.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 355 is referred to the Committee on the Executive Branch. There is a memorandum accompanying Delegate Proposal No. 355.

The next items are motions and resolutions. Resolution No. 15. The Clerk will read the resolution.

READING CLERK: Resolution No. 15, by Delegate Beatrice Miller.

A RESOLUTION suggesting that each committee give consideration to the merits of substantive issues before it.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Delegate Scanlan.

DELEGATE SCANLAN: I move that further reading of Resolution No. 15 be dispensed with and the resolution be considered as having been read.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

(The motion was duly seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: Moved and seconded that so much be considered as reading the entire resolution. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. It is so ordered.

A memorandum accompanies Resolution No. 15. Are there any other motions or resolutions? Resolution No. 15 is referred to the Committee on Rules, Credentials and Convention Budget.

Each of you should have on your desk the Secretary's Memoranda Numbers 18 and 19, which I call to your attention just to be sure you have it.

The only other announcement I have to make is the obvious one but on behalf of all of us I welcome back Delegate Hanson who actually returned to the fold yesterday but I did not have the opportunity to welcome him. I do not know whether he is in a position to make an announcement as to the incubation period or not.

DELEGATE HANSON: Mr. President, I am assured by my physician that the incubation period has passed. I want to thank you and to thank the other delegates for the solicitude shown me during my illness. I understand that there are sixty-seven members of this Convention who have not had the mumps. I come by this information from a letter sent to me by my committee chairman, Mr. Gallagher, which mentioned there had been a vote here urging my complete convalescence or complete cure which had passed by a vote of seventy to sixty-seven.

I want also to thank the individual members who expressed concern for me and particularly to thank the anonymous delegates who sent me a crock of sauerkraut.

THE PRESIDENT: Any announcements by committee chairmen? Delegate Morgan.