

respectfully recommend this matter to your careful scrutiny and prompt decision.

Having convoked you in special session for the purpose of laying before you these matters of grave and immediate importance, and of recommending appropriate legislation upon them, it is perhaps hardly necessary for me to do more than suggest that you will take them in hand at once and dispose of them promptly according to your best judgment.

I venture to add also the hope that you will not allow your time to be consumed with the consideration of matters other than those you may deem necessary for the regulation and proper conduct of our elections, and such other subjects of legislation, as I have thought it proper to call your attention to. I feel confident you will agree with me that general legislation must await the regular session of 1902.

The Constitution limits your session to thirty days. Much less than this time will suffice for a full consideration and proper disposition of the measures upon which your action is urged, and I am sure that you will demonstrate to the people by your diligent examination and wise determination of these measures that you fully appreciate the reasons which constrain me to call you to this Special Session.

JOHN WALTER SMITH.

Which was read and referred to the Committee on Legislation.

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Mr. Wilkinson moved that the motion by which the minutes were approved,

Be reconsidered.

Which was carried.

He then moved that the minutes be corrected with reference to the order submitted by Mr. Buckey, so as to read that the same was "referred to the Committee on Legislation."