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Mr. Speaker:

The Political Subdivisions Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 548**, PRIMARY ELECTION AMENDMENTS, by Representative A. Stoddard, with the following amendments:

Amendment 1

1 *Line 307 through 317:*

307 ~~Methods Pilot Project, if the number of candidates for a particular municipal office~~
308 ~~does not exceed twice the number of individuals needed to fill that office, a primary~~
309 ~~election for that office may not be held and the candidates are considered nominated.]~~
310 A primary election for a particular municipal office {may} ~~shall~~ be held {only} if {:}
311 {(i) the primary election is authorized by the municipal legislative body; and}
312 {(ii)} the number of candidates for the municipal office exceeds {twice} ~~three times~~
the number of
313 individuals needed to fill that office.
314 (b) If a primary election is not {authorized} ~~held~~ under Subsection (2)(a), the candidates
for the
315 office are considered nominated.
316 (3) (a) For purposes of this Subsection (3), "convention" means an organized assembly of

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317 voters or delegates.

Respectfully,

James A. Dunnigan
Chair

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