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BY: Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 271  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 10, after “law;” insert “requiring each local board to establish an appeals process regarding certain requests to use public buildings as early voting centers;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 6, strike “The” and substitute “EACH MONTH, THE”; strike beginning with “CURRENTLY” in line 8 down through “report” in line 10 and substitute “SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT WITH COMMITMENT PAPERS”; strike beginning with “CURRENTLY” in line 13 down through “CONVICTION” in line 14 and substitute “SENTENCED TO IMPRISONMENT WITH COMMITMENT PAPERS”; in line 18, strike “THE” and substitute “SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE”; and after line 21, insert:

“(3) (I) EACH LOCAL BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH AN APPEALS PROCESS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE FOR PUBLIC BUILDINGS REQUESTED FOR USE UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION TO CONTEST THE AVAILABILITY OF THE PUBLIC BUILDING DURING THE PERIOD OF TIME THE BUILDING WOULD BE USED AS AN EARLY VOTING CENTER.

(II) AN APPEALS PROCESS ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL:

1. REQUIRE A PUBLIC OFFICIAL TO FILE AN APPEAL WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING NOTICE FROM THE LOCAL BOARD OF THE

REQUEST TO MAKE THE PUBLIC BUILDING AVAILABLE AS AN EARLY VOTING CENTER;

2. ALLOW THE PUBLIC OFFICIAL AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD PUBLICLY BEFORE THE LOCAL BOARD; AND

3. CONCLUDE THE APPEALS PROCESS AT LEAST 8 MONTHS BEFORE A LOCAL BOARD IS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE LOCATIONS OF ITS EARLY VOTING CENTERS TO THE STATE BOARD.”