

Meeting: March 11, 1981
9 members present
3 committee members

Recorder: Dee Meyerson

CONSENSUS - REFERENDUM AND RECALL

1. Should the present power of compulsory referendum on constitutional amendments be retained (Article XIV, Section 2, Illinois Constitution)?

Yes.

2. Should Illinois amend its Constitution to provide:

a. petition referendum on statutes?

Yes, with some designated exceptions, such as emergency measures, etc. and with a ~~longer~~ period for circulating petitions longer than 90 days.

b. optional referendum on statutes?

No

c. compulsory referendum on statutes? NO.

d. advisory referendum on statutes? NO.

3. Should Illinois amend its Constitution to provide:

a. recall of executive officers (Article V of Illinois Constitution)?

Yes.

b. recall of judges who are elected? Yes

c. recall of members of the legislature? Yes.

4. If you favor limits on either referendum or recall, which limits do you support:

a. time span for collecting signatures.

Yes.

b. persons eligible to sign petitions.

Yes (should be registered voters)

c. persons eligible to pass petitions.

Yes (should not be hired.)

d. percentage of signatures required.

Yes

e. geographic distribution of signatures.

No

f. verification of signatures.

Yes (a random system)

g. size of vote required for passage. Yes. (Simple majority for issues; a larger percentage for recall.)

h. other (specify)