

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
STATE GOVERNMENT**

Date: February 16, 2009

Place: Room 22

Convened: 2/16/2009
3:40 PM

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Adjourned: 2/16/2009
4:05 PM

Present: Senators Appel-CH, Kibbie-VC, Feenstra-RM, Behn, Black, Courtney, Danielson, Dearden, Hatch, Horn, Jochum, Seymour, Soddors, Wieck

Absent: None

Excused: Senator Hartsuch

The meeting of the State Government Committee was convened by Senator Appel at 3:40PM. Roll call was taken and minutes from 2/11/09 were approved.

Chris Pearson appeared before the committee to speak about the National Popular Vote bill which would guarantee the Presidency to the candidate who receives the most popular votes in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Mr. Pearson, a former Vermont legislator, presented information about the bill, and answered questions from committee members.

Senator Courtney introduced Senate Study Bill 1128 to the committee. Senator Feenstra requested a deferment of action and it was approved for further consideration until the next regularly scheduled meeting on February 18.

Senator Courtney moved to arise at 4:05PM.

Senator Staci Appel

Joanne Walton, Committee Secretary