

HB 2199 with HCA 1 -- NOMINATION OF U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

SPONSOR: Chipman

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with Amendments" by the Standing Committee on Elections by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill requires the political party congressional district committees responsible for choosing nominees for election to the office of United States Representative in Congress in certain cases of vacancy in office to have only members that reside in the requisite congressional district. An ineligible member may be replaced by a vote of the political party committee from which they were designated as members of the Congressional District Committee and, if not replaced, then that position on the Congressional District Committee will be vacant for the nomination vote.

HCA #1: This amendment explicitly includes the leadership positions of political party committees in the requirements of the bill.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will ensure that only persons residing in the requisite Congressional district will be able to choose nominees to fill vacancies.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Chipman and Eddy Justice.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.