

## HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: SB 172 (HB 495)  
SPONSOR: Senator Smith  
SUBJECT: Election Code/Violation  
PREPARED BY: Senate Committee on Ethics and Elections  
DATE: March 20, 2002

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### **I. Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1 – 632965** (body)

### **II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:**

**House Amendment 1** elevates the criminal penalty for accessories after the fact to felony violations of the election code. The Senate bill also elevates the penalty for accessories after the fact to misdemeanor violations.