THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 323

Session of 1971

INTRODUCED BY STROUP, FEBRUARY 15, 1971

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 15, 1971

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 5, 1933 (P.L.364), entitled, as amended, 2 "An act relating to corporations; defining and providing for 3 the organization, merger, consolidation, reorganization, winding up and dissolution of certain corporations for 5 profit; conferring certain rights, powers, duties and immunities upon them and their officers and shareholders; 7 prescribing the conditions on which such corporations may exercise their powers; providing for the inclusion of certain 8 existing corporations and associations within the provisions 9 10 of this act; prescribing the terms and conditions upon which certain foreign corporations may be admitted, or may 11 continue, to do business within the Commonwealth; conferring 12 powers and imposing duties on the courts of common pleas, and 13 14 certain State departments, commissions, and officers; 15 authorizing certain State departments, boards, commissions, or officers to collect fees for services required to be 16 17 rendered by this act; imposing penalties; and repealing 18 certain acts and parts of acts relating to corporations and 19 other entities," making those at least eighteen years of age 20 eligible to be directors of such corporations.

- 21 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 22 hereby enacts as follows:
- 23 Section 1. Section 401, act of May 5, 1933 (P.L.364), known
- 24 as the "Business Corporation Law," amended July 20, 1968 (Act
- 25 No. 216), is amended to read:
- 26 Section 401. Board of Directors. -- The business and affairs
- 27 of every business corporation shall be managed by a board of

- 1 directors, who shall be natural persons of [full age,] the age
- 2 of at least eighteen years and who need not be residents of this
- 3 Commonwealth or shareholders in the corporation, unless the
- 4 articles or by-laws so require. Each director shall hold office
- 5 for the term for which he is elected and until his successor
- 6 shall have been elected and qualified. Except as hereafter
- 7 provided in this article, in the case of vacancies, directors,
- 8 other than those constituting the first board of directors,
- 9 shall be elected by the shareholders. Unless the articles or by-
- 10 laws provide otherwise, the board of directors shall have the
- 11 authority to fix the compensation of directors for their
- 12 services. A director may also be a salaried officer of the
- 13 corporation.