

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 984

Session of
1979

INTRODUCED BY LYNCH, MANBECK AND LEWIS, OCTOBER 2, 1979

SENATOR MCKINNEY, STATE GOVERNMENT, AS AMENDED, DECEMBER 3, 1979

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled
2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal,
3 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates,
4 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating
5 and defining membership of county boards of elections;
6 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
7 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners;
8 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying,
9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and
10 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to
11 elections," changing the number of signers and filing fees
12 connected with certain nomination petitions and making
13 repeals.

14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
15 hereby enacts as follows:

16 Section 1. Section 912, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,
17 No.320), known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code," is repealed.

18 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

19 ~~Section 912.1. Signers Required on Petitions of Primary~~ <—
20 ~~Candidates. (a) If for the office of President of the United~~
21 ~~States, or of United States Senator, by at least one thousand~~
22 ~~registered and enrolled members of the proper party in each of~~
23 ~~at least ten counties of the State.~~

~~(b) If for a State office to be filled by a vote of the electors of the State at large, by at least one thousand registered and enrolled members of the proper party in each of at least ten counties for the office of delegate or alternate delegate at large to a National party convention, or for the office of member of the National committee, by at least one hundred registered and enrolled members of the proper party in each of at least five counties of the State.~~

~~(c) If for the office of Representative in Congress, by at least two hundred registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(d) If for the office of delegate or alternate delegate to a National party convention, other than delegate or alternate delegate at large, by at least five hundred registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(e) If for the office of judge of any court of record other than a court whose judges are to be elected by a vote of the electors of the State at large, or of State senator by at least one thousand registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(f) If for a municipal office to be filled by a vote of the electors of a senatorial district, by at least two hundred registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(g) If for the office of inspector of election, by at least five registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(h) If for the office of Representative in the General Assembly, by at least seven hundred fifty registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(i) If for the office of member of the State committee, by at least five hundred registered and enrolled members of the~~

~~proper party.~~

~~(j) If for an office to be voted for by the electors of the entire county, or an office to be voted for by the electors of an entire city, by at least one thousand registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(k) If for the office of district councilman in a city of the first class, by at least seven hundred fifty registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(l) If for the office of councilman at large in a city, by at least one hundred registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

~~(m) And for all other offices and all other party offices, by at least ten registered and enrolled members of the proper party.~~

SECTION 912.1. SIGNERS REQUIRED ON PETITIONS OF PRIMARY CANDIDATES.--(A) IF FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, OR OF UNITED STATES SENATOR, OR FOR ANY PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS OF THE STATE AT LARGE, BY AT LEAST ONE-FOURTH OF ONE PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY, IN THE STATE, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT OF ELECTORS AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST TWO THOUSAND REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR ANY SUCH OFFICE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN TEN THOUSAND SIGNATURES.

(B) IF FOR THE OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, BY AT LEAST ONE PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY

1 ENROLLMENT AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST
2 FIVE HUNDRED REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY
3 IN SAID CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER:
4 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR SUCH OFFICE
5 SHALL BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND SIGNATURES.

6 (C) IF FOR THE OFFICE OF SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY
7 AT LEAST ONE AND ONE-HALF PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND
8 ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN THE SENATORIAL DISTRICT
9 FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE
10 OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR
11 BY AT LEAST THREE HUNDRED REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE
12 PROPER PARTY IN SAID SENATORIAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS
13 GREATER: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR SUCH
14 OFFICE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND TWO
15 HUNDRED SIGNATURES.

16 (D) IF FOR THE OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL
17 ASSEMBLY, BY AT LEAST ONE AND ONE-HALF PER CENTUM OF THE
18 REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN THE
19 ELECTORAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION PETITION IS TO BE
20 FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT AT THE PRECEDING
21 NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED REGISTERED AND
22 ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID ELECTORAL DISTRICT,
23 WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO
24 NOMINATION PETITION FOR SUCH OFFICE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN
25 MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED SIGNATURES.

26 (E) IF FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE
27 OF THE ELECTORS IN CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS A, AT LARGE, OR
28 FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE
29 ELECTORS IN CITIES OF THE THIRD CLASS, AT LARGE, BY AT LEAST ONE
30 PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER

1 PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION
2 PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT
3 AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED
4 REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID
5 ELECTORAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED,
6 HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR ANY SUCH OFFICE SHALL
7 BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED SIGNATURES.

8 (F) IF FOR THE OFFICE OF JUDGE OF ANY COURT OF RECORD OTHER
9 THAN A COURT WHOSE JUDGES ARE TO BE ELECTED BY A VOTE OF THE
10 ELECTORS OF THE STATE AT LARGE, BY AT LEAST ONE-HALF OF ONE PER
11 CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER
12 PARTY IN THE JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION PETITION
13 IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT AT THE
14 PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST TWO HUNDRED
15 REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID
16 JUDICIAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED,
17 HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR SUCH OFFICE BE REQUIRED
18 TO CONTAIN MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND SIGNATURES.

19 (G) IF FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE
20 OF THE ELECTORS IN COUNTIES OF THE FIRST CLASS AT LARGE, OR FOR
21 A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS
22 IN COUNTIES OF THE SECOND CLASS AT LARGE, OR FOR A PUBLIC OR
23 PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS IN CITIES OF
24 THE FIRST CLASS AT LARGE, BY AT LEAST ONE-FOURTH OF ONE PER
25 CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER
26 PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION
27 PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT
28 AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST FIVE HUNDRED
29 REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID
30 ELECTORAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED,

1 HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR ANY SUCH OFFICE SHALL
2 BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED
3 SIGNATURES.

4 (H) IF FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE
5 OF THE ELECTORS IN COUNTIES OF THE SECOND CLASS A AT LARGE, OR
6 FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE
7 ELECTORS IN COUNTIES OF THE THIRD CLASS AT LARGE, OR FOR A
8 PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS IN
9 COUNTIES OF THE FOURTH CLASS AT LARGE, BY AT LEAST ONE-HALF OF
10 ONE PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE
11 PROPER PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION
12 PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT
13 AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST TWO HUNDRED
14 REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID
15 ELECTORAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED,
16 HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR ANY SUCH OFFICE SHALL
17 BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY SIGNATURES.

18 (I) IF FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE
19 OF THE ELECTORS IN COUNTIES OF THE FIFTH CLASS AT LARGE, OR FOR
20 A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS
21 IN COUNTIES OF THE SIXTH CLASS AT LARGE, OR FOR A PUBLIC OR
22 PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS IN COUNTIES
23 OF THE SEVENTH CLASS AT LARGE, OR FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE
24 TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE OF THE ELECTORS IN COUNTIES OF THE EIGHTH
25 CLASS AT LARGE, BY AT LEAST ONE PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND
26 ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT
27 FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL
28 PARTY ENROLLMENT AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT
29 LEAST ONE HUNDRED REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER
30 PARTY IN SAID ELECTORAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER:

1 PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR ANY SUCH
2 OFFICE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED
3 SIGNATURES.

4 (J) IF FOR A PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY A VOTE
5 OF THE ELECTORS IN CITIES OF THE SECOND CLASS AT LARGE, OR FOR A
6 DISTRICT DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DISTRICT DELEGATE TO A NATIONAL
7 PARTY CONVENTION, OTHER THAN THOSE ELECTED BY THE STATE AT
8 LARGE, BY AT LEAST ONE-HALF OF ONE PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED
9 AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL
10 DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE
11 OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR
12 BY AT LEAST TWO HUNDRED REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE
13 PROPER PARTY IN SAID ELECTORAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS
14 GREATER: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR ANY
15 SUCH OFFICE BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN ONE THOUSAND
16 SIGNATURES.

17 (K) IF FOR A MEMBER OF STATE COMMITTEE BY AT LEAST ONE-HALF
18 OF ONE PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE
19 PROPER PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION
20 PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT
21 AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED
22 REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID
23 ELECTORAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED,
24 HOWEVER, THAT NO NOMINATION PETITION FOR SUCH OFFICE SHALL BE
25 REQUIRED TO CONTAIN MORE THAN FIVE HUNDRED SIGNATURES.

26 (L) IF FOR THE OFFICE OF DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBER IN A CITY
27 OF THE FIRST CLASS BY AT LEAST ONE PER CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED
28 AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL
29 DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED
30 ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER

ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED REGISTERED AND ENROLLED
MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID ELECTORAL DISTRICT,
WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO SUCH
NOMINATION PETITION FOR SUCH OFFICE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO CONTAIN
MORE THAN SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY SIGNATURES.

(M) IF FOR ANY OTHER PARTY OFFICE OR FOR THE OFFICE OF JUDGE
OF ELECTION, BY AT LEAST TEN REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF
THE PROPER PARTY.

(N) IF FOR THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR OF ELECTION, BY AT LEAST
FIVE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY.

(O) AND FOR ALL OTHER PUBLIC OFFICES, BY AT LEAST TWO PER
CENTUM OF THE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER
PARTY IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE NOMINATION
PETITION IS TO BE FILED, BASED ON THE OFFICIAL PARTY ENROLLMENT
AT THE PRECEDING NOVEMBER ELECTION, OR BY AT LEAST TEN
REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE PROPER PARTY IN SAID
ELECTORAL DISTRICT, WHICHEVER NUMBER IS GREATER.

Section 3. Subsection (b) of section 913 of the act, amended
May 16, 1951 (P.L.302, No.62), is repealed.

Section 4. Section 913 of the act is amended by adding
subsections to read:

Section 913. Place and Time of Filing Nomination Petitions;
Filing Fees.--* * *

(b.1) Each person filing any nomination petition shall pay,
for each petition, at the time of filing, a filing fee to be
determined as follows, and no nomination petition shall be
accepted or filed, unless and until such filing fee is paid by a
certified check or money order or also by cash when filed with
the county board. Whenever a petition is to be filed with the
county board, the person filing the same shall pay the filing

1 fee in cash or by a certified check or money order to the county
2 board. All moneys paid on account of filing fees shall be
3 transmitted by the county board to the county treasurer and
4 shall become part of the General Fund. Certified checks or money
5 orders in payment of filing fees shall be made payable to the
6 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or to the county, as the case may
7 be, and shall be transmitted to the State Treasurer or to the
8 county treasurer, and shall become part of the General Fund.

9 1. If for the office of President of the United States, or
10 for any public office to be filled by the electors of the State
11 at large, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

12 2. If for the office of Representative in Congress the sum
13 of ~~thirty five dollars (\$35.00).~~ ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00). <—

14 3. If for the office of judge of a court of record,
15 excepting judges to be voted for by the electors of the State at
16 large, the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

17 4. If for the offices of Senator or Representative in the
18 General Assembly, for any office to be filled by the electors of
19 an entire county, for the office of district councilman, in a
20 city of the first class and for any office to be filled by the
21 electors of an entire city, the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

22 5. If for any borough, town, township of the first class,
23 school district or poor district office, not otherwise provided
24 for, the sum of two dollars (\$2.00).

25 6. If for the office of delegate or alternate delegate to
26 National party convention, or member of National committee or
27 member of State committee, the sum of twenty-five dollars
28 (\$25.00).

29 7. If for the office of justice of the peace or constable,
30 the sum of two dollars (\$2.00).

1 8. If for the office of township auditor or road supervisor,
2 the sum of one dollar (\$1.00).

3 (b.2) A filing fee shall not be paid for a nomination
4 petition for any public office for which no compensation is
5 provided by law, nor for any nomination petition for any public
6 officer in any township of the second class.

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8 SECTION 5. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ: <—

9 SECTION 913.1. DETERMINATION BY SECRETARY OF COMMONWEALTH
10 AND COUNTY BOARDS OF NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON NOMINATION
11 PETITIONS; POSTING SAME.--TO ASSIST PERSONS IN ASCERTAINING THE
12 NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON NOMINATION PETITIONS, THE
13 SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, FOR THOSE OFFICES FOR WHICH
14 NOMINATION PETITIONS ARE REQUIRED TO BE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF
15 THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, AND THE COUNTY BOARD OF
16 ELECTIONS, FOR THOSE OFFICES FOR WHICH NOMINATION PETITIONS ARE
17 REQUIRED TO BE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
18 ELECTIONS SHALL, ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR, DETERMINE
19 THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON THE NOMINATION PETITIONS,
20 AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 912.1, FOR EACH PUBLIC OR PARTY OFFICE
21 FOR WHICH NOMINATION IS TO BE MADE, OR ELECTION IS TO BE HELD ON
22 THE DAY OF THE ENSUING PRIMARY. THE SECRETARY OF THE
23 COMMONWEALTH OR THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AS THE CASE MAY
24 BE, SHALL POST A LISTING OF SUCH SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS IN A
25 CONSPICUOUS PUBLIC PLACE AT ITS OFFICE. FURTHER, THE SECRETARY
26 OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN TRANSMITTING TO COUNTY BOARDS OF
27 ELECTIONS NOTIFICATION OF NOMINATIONS AS SET FORTH IN SECTION
28 905, SHALL DESIGNATE THEREIN CERTIFICATION OF THE NUMBER OF
29 SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON THE NOMINATION PETITION OF THE OFFICES,
30 PUBLIC OR PARTY, FOR WHICH CANDIDATES ARE TO BE NOMINATED OR

1 ELECTED AT THE ENSUING PRIMARY, AND FOR WHICH OFFICES,
2 NOMINATION PETITIONS ARE REQUIRED TO BE FILED IN THE OFFICE OF
3 THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH: PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT THE
4 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL INCLUDE IN THE PUBLICATION OF
5 NOTICE OF OFFICES TO BE NOMINATED OR ELECTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH
6 SECTION 906, THE NECESSARY NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR
7 EACH PARTY OFFICE FOR WHICH CANDIDATES ARE TO BE ELECTED AT THE
8 ENSUING PRIMARY AND THE NECESSARY NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED
9 FOR EACH PUBLIC OFFICE FOR WHICH CANDIDATES ARE TO BE NOMINATED
10 AT THE ENSUING PRIMARY.

11 SECTION 6. SUBSECTION (B) OF SECTION 951 OF THE ACT, AMENDED
12 DECEMBER 22, 1971 (P.L.613, NO.165), IS AMENDED TO READ:

13 SECTION 951. NOMINATIONS BY POLITICAL BODIES.--* * *

14 (B) WHERE THE NOMINATION IS FOR ANY OFFICE TO BE FILLED BY
15 THE ELECTORS OF THE STATE AT LARGE, THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED
16 ELECTORS OF THE STATE SIGNING SUCH NOMINATION PAPER SHALL BE AT
17 LEAST [EQUAL TO TWO PER CENTUM OF THE LARGEST ENTIRE VOTE CAST
18 FOR ANY ELECTED CANDIDATE IN THE STATE AT LARGE AT THE LAST
19 PRECEDING ELECTION AT WHICH STATE-WIDE CANDIDATES WERE VOTED
20 FOR] THREE TIMES THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR A
21 NOMINATION PETITION FOR A PARTY CANDIDATE UNDER SECTION 912.1.

22 IN THE CASE OF ALL OTHER NOMINATIONS, THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED
23 ELECTORS OF THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT SIGNING SUCH NOMINATION
24 PAPERS SHALL BE AT LEAST [EQUAL TO TWO PER CENTUM OF THE LARGEST
25 ENTIRE VOTE CAST FOR ANY OFFICER, EXCEPT A JUDGE OF A COURT OF
26 RECORD, ELECTED AT THE LAST PRECEDING ELECTION IN SAID ELECTORAL
27 DISTRICT FOR WHICH SAID NOMINATION PAPERS ARE TO BE FILED, AND
28 SHALL BE NOT LESS THAN THE NUMBER OF SIGNERS REQUIRED FOR
29 NOMINATION PETITIONS FOR PARTY CANDIDATES FOR THE SAME OFFICE]
30 THREE TIMES THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR A

1 NOMINATION PETITION FOR A PARTY CANDIDATE UNDER SECTION 912.L.
2 IN CASES WHERE A NEW ELECTORAL DISTRICT SHALL HAVE BEEN CREATED,
3 THE NUMBER OF QUALIFIED ELECTORS SIGNING SUCH NOMINATION PAPERS,
4 FOR CANDIDATES TO BE ELECTED AT THE FIRST ELECTION HELD AFTER
5 THE CREATION OF SUCH DISTRICT, SHALL BE AT LEAST [EQUAL TO TWO
6 PER CENTUM OF THE LARGEST VOTE CAST IN THE SEVERAL ELECTION
7 DISTRICTS, WHICH ARE INCLUDED IN THE DISTRICT NEWLY CREATED, FOR
8 ANY OFFICER ELECTED IN THE LAST PRECEDING ELECTION] THREE TIMES
9 THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED FOR A NOMINATION
10 PETITION FOR A PARTY CANDIDATE UNDER SECTION 912.1.

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12 Section 5 7. This act shall take effect ~~in 60 days.~~ JANUARY <—
13 1, 1981.