

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL

No. 201 Session of  
1989INTRODUCED BY OLIVER, WILLIAMS, BISHOP, JOSEPHS, RIEGER,  
DONATUCCI AND HAYDEN, FEBRUARY 1, 1989AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, FEBRUARY 15, 1989

## AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 30, 1937 (P.L.115, No.40), entitled  
2 "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of  
3 electors in cities of the first class as a condition of their  
4 right to vote at elections and primaries, and their  
5 enrollment as members of political parties as a further  
6 condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing  
7 certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries  
8 and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors;  
9 and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties,  
10 bodies of electors, registration commissions, commissioners,  
11 registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees  
12 of registration commission, election officers, municipal  
13 officers, departments and bureaus, police officers, courts,  
14 judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace  
15 officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars  
16 of vital statistics, real estate brokers, rental agents,  
17 certain public service companies, persons, firms, and  
18 corporations operating vehicles for moving furniture and  
19 household goods, and boards of school directors; and imposing  
20 penalties," further providing for the election of city  
21 commissioners; AND MAKING A REPEAL. <—

22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

23 hereby enacts as follows:

24 Section 1. Section 3 of the act of March 30, 1937 (P.L.115,  
25 No.40), known as The First Class City Permanent Registration  
26 Act, amended July 1, 1976 (P.L.476, No.122), is amended to read:

1 Section 3. Registration Commission; Membership, Bipartisan;  
2 Term of Office; Vacancies; Removal; Compensation; Chairman;  
3 Secretary; Action by Vote of Majority of Members; Record of  
4 Proceedings; Annual Report.--

5 (a) There shall be a registration commission in and for each  
6 city of the first class, which commission shall have  
7 jurisdiction over the registration of electors of such city  
8 under the provisions of this act.

9 (b) The registration commission shall consist of the three  
10 elected city commissioners of a city of the first class, who  
11 shall be elected for a term of four years, in the year that the  
12 mayor is elected and a vacancy in the office shall be filled in  
13 the manner provided by city ordinance, in the same manner that a  
14 vacancy in the office of city commissioner is filled.

15 (e) The registration commissioner shall receive the salary  
16 set for the city commissioner by city ordinance, and shall  
17 receive no additional salary for service as the registration  
18 commissioner.

19 (g) All actions of a commission shall be decided by a  
20 majority vote of all members, except as may be otherwise  
21 provided herein.

22 (h) Each commission shall keep a record, in permanent form,  
23 of all its proceedings, and shall make an annual written report  
24 to the city.

25 ~~(i) One week prior to a commissioner's filing for~~ <—  
26 ~~reelection, the commissioner shall appoint the deputy~~  
27 ~~commissioner associated with that commissioner to perform the~~  
28 ~~election duties normally performed by the commissioner.~~

29 ~~(I) WHENEVER A MEMBER OF THE REGISTRATION COMMISSION IS A~~ <—  
30 ~~CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION OR ELECTION TO ANY PUBLIC OFFICE, THAT~~

1 MEMBER OF THE REGISTRATION COMMISSION SHALL APPOINT A DEPUTY  
2 COMMISSIONER TO SERVE IN HIS PLACE.

3 SECTION 2. SECTION 301(C) OF THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937  
4 (P.L.1333, NO.320), KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE, IS  
5 REPEALED INsofar AS IT IS INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ACT.

6 Section ~~2~~ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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