THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 29, 2006

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," further providing for DISTRICT ELECTION BOARDS,   <—
12   FOR nominations by political bodies, FOR REQUIREMENTS OF   <—
13   ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS, FOR CARDS OF INSTRUCTIONS AND
14   SUPPLIES AND FOR REPORTING BY CANDIDATE AND POLITICAL
15   COMMITTEES AND OTHER PERSONS.

16   The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

17 hereby enacts as follows:

18   Section 1. Section 951(b) of the act of June 3, 1937   <—

19 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code,

20 amended December 22, 1971 (P.L.613, No.165), is amended to read:

21   SECTION 1. SECTION 401 OF THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,   <—

22 NO.320), KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE, AMENDED

23 FEBRUARY 10, 1956 (1955 P.L.1019, NO.319), IS AMENDED TO READ:

1   SECTION 401. DISTRICT ELECTION BOARDS; ELECTION.--(A) ALL

2 PRIMARIES AND ELECTIONS SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN EACH ELECTION

3 DISTRICT BY A DISTRICT ELECTION BOARD CONSISTING OF A JUDGE OF

4 ELECTION, A MAJORITY INSPECTOR OF ELECTION AND A MINORITY

5 INSPECTOR OF ELECTION, ASSISTED BY CLERKS AND MACHINE INSPECTORS

6 IN CERTAIN CASES, AS HEREINAFTER PROVIDED.

7   (B) NO LATER THAN THE MONDAY PRECEDING THE THIRTEENTH

8 TUESDAY PRECEDING A PRIMARY IN WHICH PERSONS SEEK A PARTY

9 NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF JUDGE OF ELECTION OR INSPECTOR OF

10 ELECTION, A COUNTY BOARD MAY OPT BY MAJORITY VOTE TO PERMIT

11 PERSONS QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS AND SEEKING ELECTION TO THE OFFICE

12 OF JUDGE OF ELECTION OR INSPECTOR OF ELECTION TO HAVE THEIR

13 NAMES PLACED UPON THE PRIMARY BALLOTS BY FILING A DECLARATION OF

14 CANDIDACY WITH THE COUNTY BOARD AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO PRESENTING

15 A NOMINATING PETITION AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 912.1. A DECISION

16 TO PROCEED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL

17 RESCINDED BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE COUNTY BOARD, EXCEPT THAT THE

18 COUNTY BOARD MAY NOT RESCIND ITS DECISION AT ANY TIME BETWEEN

19 THE THIRTEENTH TUESDAY PRECEDING A PRIMARY IN WHICH PERSONS SEEK

20 A PARTY NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF JUDGE OF ELECTION OR

21 INSPECTOR OF ELECTION AND THE WEDNESDAY FOLLOWING THE TENTH

22 TUESDAY PRIOR TO SUCH PRIMARY. NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL

23 BE CONSTRUED TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF TIMES A COUNTY BOARD MAY OPT

24 TO PROCEED UNDER THIS SECTION. THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

25 SHALL PRESCRIBE THE FORMAT OF THE DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY. THE

26 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY SHALL INCLUDE A CANDIDATE AFFIDAVIT.

27   (C) THE JUDGE AND INSPECTORS OF ELECTION OF EACH ELECTION

28 DISTRICT SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE ELECTORS THEREOF AT THE

29 MUNICIPAL ELECTION, AND SHALL HOLD OFFICE FOR A TERM OF FOUR

30 YEARS FROM THE FIRST MONDAY OF JANUARY NEXT SUCCEEDING THEIR

1 ELECTION.

2   (D) EACH ELECTOR MAY VOTE FOR ONE PERSON AS JUDGE AND FOR

3 ONE PERSON AS INSPECTOR, AND THE PERSON RECEIVING THE HIGHEST

4 NUMBER OF VOTES FOR JUDGE SHALL BE DECLARED ELECTED JUDGE OF

5 ELECTION, THE PERSON RECEIVING THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES FOR

6 INSPECTOR SHALL BE DECLARED ELECTED MAJORITY INSPECTOR OF

7 ELECTION, AND THE PERSON RECEIVING THE SECOND HIGHEST NUMBER OF

8 VOTES FOR INSPECTOR SHALL BE DECLARED ELECTED MINORITY INSPECTOR

9 OF ELECTION.

10   SECTION 2. SECTION 951(B) OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 22,

11 1971 (P.L.613, NO.165), IS AMENDED TO READ:

12   Section 951. Nominations by Political Bodies.--* * *

13   (b) Where the nomination is for any office to be filled by

14 the electors of the State at large, the number of qualified

15 electors of the State signing such nomination paper shall be at

16 least equal to two per centum of the largest entire vote cast

17 for any elected candidate in the State at large at the last

18 preceding election at which State-wide candidates were voted for

19 and shall not exceed forty-five thousand signatures. In the case

20 of all other nominations, the number of qualified electors of

21 the electoral district signing such nomination papers shall be

22 at least equal to two per centum of the largest entire vote cast

23 for any officer, except a judge of a court of record, elected at

24 the last preceding election in said electoral district for which

25 said nomination papers are to be filed, and shall be not less

26 than the number of signers required for nomination petitions for

27 party candidates for the same office. In cases where a new

28 electoral district shall have been created, the number of

29 qualified electors signing such nomination papers, for

30 candidates to be elected at the first election held after the

1 creation of such district, shall be at least equal to two per

2 centum of the largest vote cast in the several election

3 districts, which are included in the district newly created, for

4 any officer elected in the last preceding election.

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6 SECTION 3. SECTION 1107-A OF THE ACT, ADDED JULY 11, 1980 <——

7 (P.L.600, NO.128), IS AMENDED TO READ:

8 SECTION 1107-A. REQUIREMENTS OF ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS.--

9 NO ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM SHALL, UPON ANY EXAMINATION OR

10 REEXAMINATION, BE APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH,

11 OR BY ANY EXAMINER APPOINTED BY HIM, UNLESS IT SHALL BE

12 ESTABLISHED THAT SUCH SYSTEM, AT THE TIME OF SUCH EXAMINATION OR

13 REEXAMINATION:

14 (1) PROVIDES FOR VOTING IN ABSOLUTE SECRECY AND PREVENTS ANY

15 PERSON FROM SEEING OR KNOWING FOR WHOM ANY VOTER, EXCEPT ONE WHO

16 HAS RECEIVED OR IS RECEIVING ASSISTANCE AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW,

17 HAS VOTED OR IS VOTING.

18 (2) PROVIDES FACILITIES FOR VOTING FOR SUCH CANDIDATES AS

19 MAY BE NOMINATED AND UPON SUCH QUESTIONS AS MAY BE SUBMITTED.

20 (3) [PERMITS] IF IT IS OF A TYPE THAT USES PAPER BALLOTS OR

21 BALLOT CARDS TO REGISTER THE VOTE AND AUTOMATIC TABULATING

22 EQUIPMENT TO COMPUTE SUCH VOTE, PERMITS EACH VOTER, AT OTHER

23 THAN PRIMARY ELECTIONS, TO VOTE A STRAIGHT POLITICAL PARTY

24 TICKET BY ONE MARK OR ACT AND, BY ONE MARK OR ACT, TO VOTE FOR

25 ALL THE CANDIDATES OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY FOR PRESIDENTIAL

26 ELECTORS AND, BY ONE MARK OR ACT, TO VOTE FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES

27 OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY FOR EVERY OFFICE TO BE VOTED FOR, AND

28 EVERY SUCH MARK OR ACT SHALL BE EQUIVALENT TO AND SHALL BE

29 COUNTED AS A VOTE FOR EVERY CANDIDATE OF THE POLITICAL PARTY SO

30 MARKED INCLUDING ITS CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS,

1 EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO THOSE OFFICES AS TO WHICH THE VOTER HAS

2 REGISTERED A VOTE FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES OF THE SAME OR

3 ANOTHER POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, IN WHICH CASE THE

4 AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT SHALL CREDIT THE VOTE FOR THAT

5 OFFICE ONLY FOR THE CANDIDATE INDIVIDUALLY SO SELECTED,

6 NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT THE VOTER MAY NOT HAVE

7 INDIVIDUALLY VOTED FOR THE FULL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES FOR THAT

8 OFFICE FOR WHICH HE WAS ENTITLED TO VOTE.

9   (3.1) IF THE ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM IS OF THE TYPE THAT

10 REGISTERS THE VOTE ELECTRONICALLY, PERMITS EACH VOTER, AT OTHER

11 THAN PRIMARY ELECTIONS, TO VOTE A STRAIGHT POLITICAL PARTY

12 TICKET IN ONE OPERATION; IN ONE OPERATION TO VOTE FOR ALL THE

13 CANDIDATES OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS; AND

14 IN ONE OPERATION, TO VOTE FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES OF ONE

15 POLITICAL PARTY FOR EVERY OFFICE TO BE VOTED FOR, EXCEPT THOSE

16 OFFICES AS TO WHICH THE VOTER VOTES FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES.

17   (4) PERMITS EACH VOTER, AT OTHER THAN PRIMARY ELECTIONS, TO

18 VOTE A TICKET SELECTED FROM THE NOMINEES OF ANY AND ALL

19 POLITICAL PARTIES, FROM THE NOMINEES OF ANY AND ALL POLITICAL

20 BODIES, AND FROM ANY PERSONS WHOSE NAMES ARE NOT IN NOMINATION

21 AND DO NOT APPEAR UPON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT.

22   (5) PERMITS EACH VOTER TO VOTE FOR ANY PERSON AND ANY OFFICE

23 FOR WHOM AND FOR WHICH HE IS LAWFULLY ENTITLED TO VOTE, WHETHER

24 OR NOT THE NAME OF SUCH PERSON APPEARS UPON THE BALLOT AS A

25 CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION OR ELECTION.

26   (6) PERMITS EACH VOTER TO VOTE FOR AS MANY PERSONS FOR ANY

27 OFFICE AS HE IS ENTITLED TO VOTE FOR AND TO VOTE FOR OR AGAINST

28 ANY QUESTION UPON WHICH HE IS ENTITLED TO VOTE AND PRECLUDES

29 EACH VOTER FROM VOTING OR FROM HAVING HIS VOTE TABULATED FOR ANY

30 CANDIDATE, OR UPON ANY QUESTION, FOR WHOM OR UPON WHICH HE IS

1 NOT ENTITLED TO VOTE.

2   (7) IF IT IS OF A TYPE THAT REGISTERS THE VOTE

3 ELECTRONICALLY, THE VOTING SYSTEM SHALL PRECLUDE EACH VOTER FROM

4 VOTING FOR MORE PERSONS FOR ANY OFFICE THAN HE IS ENTITLED TO

5 VOTE FOR OR UPON ANY QUESTION MORE THAN ONCE.

6   (8) PRECLUDES EACH VOTER FROM VOTING OR FROM HAVING HIS VOTE

7 TABULATED MORE THAN ONCE FOR ANY CANDIDATE FOR THE SAME OFFICE

8 OR UPON ANY QUESTION, EXCEPT IN DISTRICTS AND FOR OFFICES WHERE

9 CUMULATIVE VOTING IS AUTHORIZED BY LAW.

10   (9) PERMITS EACH VOTER AT A PRIMARY ELECTION TO VOTE ONLY

11 FOR THE CANDIDATES SEEKING NOMINATION BY A POLITICAL PARTY IN

12 WHICH SUCH VOTER IS REGISTERED AND ENROLLED, AND FOR ANY

13 CANDIDATE FOR NONPARTISAN NOMINATION, AND FOR ANY QUESTION UPON

14 WHICH HE IS ENTITLED TO VOTE.

15   (10) IF IT IS OF A TYPE THAT REGISTERS THE VOTE

16 ELECTRONICALLY, THE VOTING SYSTEM SHALL PERMIT EACH VOTER TO

17 CHANGE HIS VOTE FOR ANY CANDIDATE OR UPON ANY QUESTION APPEARING

18 ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT UP TO THE TIME THAT HE TAKES THE FINAL

19 STEP TO REGISTER HIS VOTE AND TO HAVE HIS VOTE COMPUTED. IF IT

20 IS OF A TYPE THAT USES PAPER BALLOTS OR BALLOT CARDS TO REGISTER

21 THE VOTE AND AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT TO COMPUTE SUCH

22 VOTES, THE SYSTEM SHALL PROVIDE THAT A VOTER WHO SPOILS HIS

23 BALLOT MAY OBTAIN ANOTHER BALLOT; ANY BALLOT THUS RETURNED SHALL

24 BE IMMEDIATELY CANCELLED AND AT THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS SHALL BE

25 ENCLOSED IN AN ENVELOPE MARKED "SPOILED" WHICH SHALL BE SEALED

26 AND RETURNED TO THE COUNTY BOARD.

27   (11) IS SUITABLY DESIGNED FOR THE PURPOSE USED, IS

28 CONSTRUCTED IN A NEAT AND WORKMANLIKE MANNER OF DURABLE MATERIAL

29 OF GOOD QUALITY, IS SAFELY AND EFFICIENTLY USEABLE IN THE

30 CONDUCT OF ELECTIONS AND, WITH RESPECT TO THE COUNTING OF

1 BALLOTS CAST AT EACH DISTRICT, IS SUITABLY DESIGNED AND EQUIPPED

2 TO BE CAPABLE OF ABSOLUTE ACCURACY, WHICH ACCURACY SHALL BE

3 DEMONSTRATED TO THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

4 (12) PROVIDES ACCEPTABLE BALLOT SECURITY PROCEDURES AND

5 IMPOUNDMENT OF BALLOTS TO PREVENT TAMPERING WITH OR SUBSTITUTION

6 OF ANY BALLOTS OR BALLOT CARDS.

7 (13) WHEN PROPERLY OPERATED, RECORDS CORRECTLY AND COMPUTES

8 AND TABULATES ACCURATELY EVERY VALID VOTE REGISTERED.

9 (14) IS SAFELY TRANSPORTABLE.

10 (15) IS SO CONSTRUCTED THAT A VOTER MAY READILY LEARN THE

11 METHOD OF OPERATING IT.

12 (16) IF THE VOTING SYSTEM IS OF A TYPE WHICH PROVIDES FOR

13 THE COMPUTATION AND TABULATION OF VOTES AT THE DISTRICT LEVEL,

14 THE DISTRICT COMPONENT OF THE AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT

15 SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING MECHANISMS OR CAPABILITIES:

16 (I) A PUBLIC COUNTER, THE REGISTER OF WHICH IS VISIBLE FROM

17 THE OUTSIDE OF THE AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT COMPONENT INTO

18 WHICH THE BALLOTS ARE ENTERED, WHICH SHALL SHOW DURING ANY

19 PERIOD OF OPERATION THE TOTAL NUMBER OF BALLOTS ENTERED FOR

20 COMPUTATION AND TABULATION.

21 (II) A LOCK, OR LOCKS, BY THE USE OF WHICH ALL OPERATION OF

22 THE TABULATION ELEMENT OF THE AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT IS

23 ABSOLUTELY PREVENTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE POLLS ARE CLOSED OR

24 WHERE THE TABULATION OF VOTES IS COMPLETED.

25 (III) IT SHALL BE SO CONSTRUCTED AND CONTROLLED THAT, DURING

26 THE PROGRESS OF VOTING, IT SHALL PRECLUDE EVERY PERSON FROM

27 SEEING OR KNOWING THE NUMBER OF VOTES THERETOFORE REGISTERED FOR

28 ANY CANDIDATE OR QUESTION; AND IT SHALL PRECLUDE EVERY PERSON

29 FROM TAMPERING WITH THE TABULATING ELEMENT.

30 (IV) IF THE NUMBER OF CHOICES RECORDED FOR ANY OFFICE OR ON

1 ANY QUESTION EXCEEDS THE NUMBER FOR WHICH THE VOTER IS ENTITLED

2 TO VOTE, IT SHALL REJECT ALL CHOICES RECORDED ON THE BALLOT FOR

3 THAT OFFICE OR QUESTION, PROVIDED, THAT IF USED DURING THE

4 PERIOD OF VOTING IT MAY ALSO HAVE THE CAPACITY TO INDICATE TO A

5 VOTER THAT HE HAS IMPROPERLY VOTED FOR MORE CANDIDATES FOR ANY

6 OFFICE THAN HE IS ENTITLED TO VOTE FOR, AND IN SUCH CASE IT

7 SHALL HAVE THE CAPACITY TO PERMIT THE VOTER TO MARK A NEW BALLOT

8 OR TO FOREGO HIS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SUCH CORRECTION.

9   (V) IT SHALL BE EQUIPPED WITH AN ELEMENT WHICH GENERATES A

10 PRINTED RECORD AT THE BEGINNING OF ITS OPERATION WHICH VERIFIES

11 THAT THE TABULATING ELEMENTS FOR EACH CANDIDATE POSITION AND

12 EACH QUESTION AND THE PUBLIC COUNTER ARE ALL SET TO ZERO AND

13 WITH AN ELEMENT WHICH GENERATES A PRINTED RECORD AT THE FINISH

14 OF ITS OPERATION OF THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTERS WHOSE BALLOTS

15 HAVE BEEN TABULATED, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST FOR EACH

16 CANDIDATE WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THE BALLOT, AND THE TOTAL NUMBER

17 OF VOTES CAST FOR, OR AGAINST, ANY QUESTION APPEARING ON THE

18 BALLOT.

19   (17) IF THE VOTING SYSTEM IS OF A TYPE WHICH PROVIDES FOR

20 THE COMPUTATION AND TABULATION OF ALL VOTES AT A CENTRAL

21 COUNTING CENTER OR IF IT PROVIDES FOR THE TABULATION OF DISTRICT

22 TOTALS AT SUCH A CENTRAL COUNTING CENTER, THE CENTRAL AUTOMATIC

23 TABULATING EQUIPMENT SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING MECHANISMS OR

24 CAPABILITIES:

25   (I) IT SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED SO THAT EVERY PERSON IS

26 PRECLUDED FROM TAMPERING WITH THE TABULATING ELEMENT DURING THE

27 COURSE OF ITS OPERATION.

28   (II) IF THE NUMBER OF CHOICES FOR ANY OFFICE OR ON ANY

29 QUESTION EXCEEDS THE NUMBER FOR WHICH THE VOTER IS ENTITLED TO

30 VOTE, IT SHALL REJECT ALL CHOICES RECORDED ON THE BALLOT FOR

1 THAT OFFICE OR QUESTION.

2   (III) IT SHALL HAVE A MEANS BY WHICH TO VERIFY THAT THE

3 COUNTERS FOR EACH CANDIDATE POSITION AND FOR EACH QUESTION ARE

4 ALL SET TO ZERO AND SHALL BE ABLE TO GENERATE A PRINTED RECORD

5 OF EACH ELECTION DISTRICT SHOWING THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTERS

6 WHOSE BALLOTS HAVE BEEN TABULATED, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES

7 CAST FOR EACH CANDIDATE WHOSE NAME APPEARS ON THE BALLOT, AND

8 THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST FOR, OR AGAINST, ANY QUESTION

9 APPEARING ON THE BALLOT. IT MAY ALSO BE CAPABLE OF GENERATING

10 CUMULATIVE ELECTION REPORTS.

11   SECTION 4. SECTION 1202 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO READ:

12   SECTION 1202. CARDS OF INSTRUCTIONS AND SUPPLIES.--PRIOR TO

13 EACH PRIMARY AND ELECTION EACH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION SHALL

14 PREPARE FULL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE GUIDANCE OF ELECTORS IN

15 DISTRICTS IN WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED, AND ALSO SIMILAR

16 INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE GUIDANCE OF ELECTORS IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH

17 VOTING MACHINES ARE USED, AND THEY SHALL CAUSE THE SAME,

18 TOGETHER WITH SUCH PORTIONS OF THIS ACT AS DEEMED ADVISABLE, TO

19 BE PRINTED IN LARGE CLEAR TYPE ON SEPARATE CARDS TO BE CALLED

20 CARDS OF INSTRUCTION. EACH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION SHALL INSURE

21 THAT AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS NUMBERING NO LESS

22 THAN AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO TEN (10) PER CENTUM OF THE ELECTORS

23 REGISTERED IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT IS AVAILABLE. THEY SHALL

24 ALSO PREPARE BLANK FORMS OF OATHS OF ELECTION OFFICERS, RECORDS

25 OF ASSISTED VOTERS, AFFIDAVITS OF CHALLENGED ELECTORS AND

26 OTHERS, GENERAL AND DUPLICATE RETURN SHEETS, TALLY PAPERS,

27 STATEMENTS, BLANK FORMS FOR NUMBERED LISTS OF VOTERS, WITH

28 SUFFICIENT SPACE FOR NOTING THEIR PARTY ENROLLMENT AT PRIMARIES,

29 NOTICE OF PENALTIES FOR THE INFORMATION OF ELECTORS AND ELECTION

30 OFFICERS, AND OTHER FORMS AND SUPPLIES REQUIRED BY THIS ACT FOR

1 USE IN EACH ELECTION DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY. SAID FORMS, BLANK

2 BOOKS, AND OTHER SUPPLIES SHALL HAVE PRINTED THEREON APPROPRIATE

3 INSTRUCTIONS. IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH VOTING MACHINES ARE USED THE

4 GENERAL AND DUPLICATE RETURN SHEETS AND STATEMENT SHALL BE

5 PRINTED TO CONFORM TO THE TYPE OF VOTING MACHINE USED IN SUCH

6 DISTRICTS AND THE DESIGNATING NUMBER AND LETTER, IF ANY, ON THE

7 COUNTER FOR EACH CANDIDATE SHALL BE PRINTED THEREON OPPOSITE THE

8 CANDIDATE'S NAME.

9   SECTION 5. SECTION 1626(D) OF THE ACT, AMENDED JULY 11, 1980

10 (P.L.600, NO.128), IS AMENDED TO READ:

11   SECTION 1626. REPORTING BY CANDIDATE AND POLITICAL

12 COMMITTEES AND OTHER PERSONS.--

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14   (D) PRE-ELECTION REPORTS BY CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES TO BE

15 VOTED FOR BY THE ELECTORS OF THE STATE AT LARGE AND ALL

16 POLITICAL COMMITTEES, WHICH HAVE EXPENDED MONEY FOR THE PURPOSE

17 OF INFLUENCING THE ELECTION OF SUCH CANDIDATE, SHALL BE FILED

18 NOT LATER THAN THE SIXTH TUESDAY BEFORE AND THE SECOND FRIDAY

19 BEFORE AN ELECTION, PROVIDED THAT THE INITIAL PRE-ELECTION

20 REPORT SHALL BE COMPLETE AS OF FIFTY (50) DAYS PRIOR TO THE

21 ELECTION AND THE SUBSEQUENT PRE-ELECTION REPORT SHALL BE

22 COMPLETE AS OF [FIFTEEN (15)] EIGHTEEN (18) DAYS PRIOR TO THE

23 ELECTION. PRE-ELECTION REPORTS BY ALL OTHER CANDIDATES AND

24 POLITICAL COMMITTEES WHICH HAVE RECEIVED CONTRIBUTIONS OR MADE

25 EXPENDITURES FOR THE PURPOSE OF INFLUENCING AN ELECTION SHALL BE

26 FILED NOT LATER THAN THE SECOND FRIDAY BEFORE AN ELECTION,

27 PROVIDED THAT SUCH REPORT BE COMPLETE AS OF [FIFTEEN (15)]

28 EIGHTEEN (18) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ELECTION.

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30   Section 2 6. This act shall take effect immediately.   <——