

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1634 Session of
2009

INTRODUCED BY SCHRODER, S. H. SMITH, TURZAI, CIVERA, MAJOR,
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STEVENSON, SWANGER, TRUE, VULAKOVICH, WATSON AND HARHART,
JUNE 23, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JUNE 23, 2009

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," in preparation for and conduct of primaries and
12 elections, further providing for regulations in force at
13 polling places.

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

16 Section 1. Section 1220(c) of the act of June 3, 1937
17 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is
18 amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to
19 read:

1 Section 1220. Regulations in Force at Polling Places.--* * *

2 (c) No person, when within the polling place, shall
3 electioneer [or solicit votes for any political party, political
4 body or candidate], nor shall any written or printed matter be
5 posted up within the said room, except as required by this act.

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7 (g) As used in this section, the word "electioneer" shall
8 mean to attempt to persuade or influence a qualified elector to
9 vote for or against, or solicit votes for or against a
10 candidate, political party, political body or ballot question.
11 The term shall also mean to wear, exhibit or distribute any
12 label, sign, poster, badge, sticker, button, shirt, hat, article
13 of clothing or other item that identifies or indicates support
14 for or opposition to a candidate, political party, political
15 body or a ballot question or any other action that identifies or
16 indicates support for or opposition to a candidate, political
17 party, political body or a ballot question.

18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.