THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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INTRODUCED BY COX, BARRAR, CONKLIN, DAVIS, DeLUCA, DIAMOND, GILLEN, MILLARD, B. MILLER, MURT, ROTHMAN, SCHWEYER, SOLOMON, WARD, WATSON AND WHEELAND, MAY 1, 2018

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MAY 1, 2018

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, 1 2 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, 3 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating 5 and defining membership of county boards of elections; imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, 6 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, 7 8 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and 9 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to 10 elections," in voting machines, further providing for 11 requirements of electronic voting systems. 12 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: 15 Section 1. Section 1107-A of the act of June 3, 1937 16 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is 17 amended by adding a clause to read: 18 Section 1107-A. Requirements of Electronic Voting Systems .--19 No electronic voting system shall, upon any examination or 20 reexamination, be approved by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, 21 or by any examiner appointed by him, unless it shall be established that such system, at the time of such examination or 22

- 1 reexamination:
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- 3 (18) Produces an individual permanent paper record for each
- 4 vote cast. The individual permanent paper record shall be
- 5 <u>available for inspection and verification by the voter before</u>
- 6 the vote is cast and retained according to the provisions
- 7 contained in this act for the retention of paper ballots. If
- 8 there is a discrepancy between the electronic record of a vote
- 9 and the individual permanent paper record of the vote cast, the
- 10 individual permanent paper record shall be the official record
- 11 of the vote and considered prima facie accurate. If a recount or
- 12 <u>an audit of an election is initiated, the individual permanent</u>
- 13 paper record shall be the official record of the vote and
- 14 considered prima facie accurate. This clause shall apply to
- 15 voting systems that are leased or purchased after the effective
- 16 date of this clause.
- 17 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.