

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2080 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY BRANDT AND RITTER, NOVEMBER 23, 1981

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, NOVEMBER 23, 1981

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 the form of the official
12 primary ballot.

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

15 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 1002, act of June 3,
16 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the "Pennsylvania Election
17 Code," amended December 2, 1976 (P.L.1221, No.269), is amended
18 to read:

19 Section 1002. Form of Official Primary Ballot.--* * *

20 (b) On the back of each ballot shall be printed in prominent
21 type the words "OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT OFPARTY FOR"
22 followed by the designation of the election district for which

1 it is prepared, the date of the primary and the facsimile
2 signatures of the members of the county board of elections. The
3 names of candidates shall in all cases be arranged under the
4 title of the office for which they are candidates, and be
5 printed thereunder in the order determined by the casting of
6 lots as provided by this act. Under the title of such offices
7 where more than one candidate is to be voted for, shall be
8 printed "Vote for not more than" (the blank space to
9 indicate the number of candidates to be voted for the particular
10 office.) At the right of the name of each candidate there shall
11 be a square of sufficient size for the convenient insertion of a
12 cross (x) or check () mark. There shall be left at the end of
13 the list of candidates for each office (or under the title of
14 the office itself in case there be no candidates who have filed
15 nomination petitions therefor) as many blank spaces as there are
16 persons to be voted for, for such office, in which space the
17 elector may insert the name of any person whose name is not
18 printed on the ballot as a candidate for such office. Opposite
19 or under the name of each candidate[, except candidates for the
20 office of President of the United States and candidates for
21 delegate or alternate delegate to a National Party Convention,
22 who is to be voted for by the electors of more than one county,
23 shall be printed the name of the county in which such candidate
24 resides; and opposite or under the name of each candidate except
25 candidates for delegate or alternate delegate to a National
26 Party Convention who is to be voted for by the electors of an
27 entire county or any congressional, senatorial or representative
28 district within the county, shall be printed the name of the
29 city, borough, township or ward, as the case may be,] for State-
30 wide office shall be printed the name of the county in which

1 such candidate resides.

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