

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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SAURMAN, APRIL 17, 1985

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 17, 1985

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," providing notices of polling place changes to
12 electors.

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

15 Section 1. Section 526(a) of the act of June 3, 1937
16 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is
17 amended to read:

18 Section 526. Polling Places to Be Selected by County
19 Board.--

20 (a) The county board of elections shall select and fix the
21 polling place within each new election district and may, at any
22 time, for any reason that may seem proper to it, either on its

1 own motion or on petition of ten qualified registered electors
2 of an election district, change the polling place within any
3 election district. Except in case of an emergency or unavoidable
4 event occurring within ten days of a primary or election, which
5 renders any polling place unavailable for use at such primary or
6 election, the county board shall not change any polling place
7 until at least five days after notice of the proposed change
8 shall have been posted on the existing polling place and in the
9 immediate vicinity thereof, and until at least five days after
10 written notice of the proposed change shall have been given to
11 the occupant or owner of said polling place, or their agent. The
12 county board of elections shall mail notices of any changes of
13 polling place to all registered electors of the affected polling
14 district immediately upon such change.

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