## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 1821 Session of 1993

INTRODUCED BY ROBINSON, CARN, BATTISTO, FAJT, PRESTON, JOSEPHS, DERMODY, PISTELLA, TRELLO AND GIGLIOTTI, JUNE 21, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JUNE 21, 1993

## AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, 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; 6 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, 7 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, 8 9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to 10 elections," further providing for the printing of 11 constitutional amendments or other questions on election 12 13 ballots. 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 15 hereby enacts as follows: 16 Section 1. Section 1003(g) of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, 17 18 amended April 24, 1947 (P.L.68, No.33), is amended to read: 19 Section 1003. Form of Official Election Ballot .--20 21 (g) The official ballots shall vary in form only as the 22 names of districts, offices, candidates or the provisions of 23 this act may require. When constitutional amendments or other

- 1 questions are submitted to a vote of the electors, each
- 2 amendment or other question so submitted may be printed upon the
- 3 ballot below the groups of candidates for the various offices,
- 4 and, when required by law, shall be so printed. Any
- 5 constitutional amendment or other question so submitted shall be
- 6 printed upon the ballot in a contrasting color. Constitutional
- 7 amendments so submitted shall be printed in brief form, to be
- 8 determined by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and other
- 9 questions so submitted shall be printed in brief form, to be
- 10 determined by the Secretary of the Commonwealth in the case of
- 11 questions to be voted on by the electors of the State at large,
- 12 and by the county boards in other cases. To the right of each
- 13 question there shall be placed the words "yes" and "no,"
- 14 together with appropriate squares to the right of each for the
- 15 convenient insertion of a cross mark.
- 16 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.