

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1177

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE HENNESSEY

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, lines 9 through 11, by striking out all
2 of said lines and inserting

3 Section 1. Section 735.1(c), (d)(3), (e)(3), (g)(1) and (1)
4 (6) and (7) of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
5 Statutes are amended and subsection (1) is amended by adding a
6 paragraph to read:

7 Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting between lines 14 and 15

8 (c) Contents.--A petition shall set forth:

9 (1) The name of the municipality from which the signers
10 of the petition were obtained.

11 (2) The names of the municipalities proposed to be
12 consolidated or merged.

13 (2.1) An estimated cost of the study commission.

14 (3) The number of persons to compose the commission.

15 (4) The petition question which shall read as follows:
16 Shall a Government Study Commission of (seven, nine
17 or eleven) members be elected to study the issue of
18 consolidation or merger of (municipalities to be
19 consolidated or merged); to provide a recommendation
20 on consolidation or merger; to consider the
21 advisability of the adoption of a new home rule
22 charter; and to draft a new home rule charter, if
23 recommended in the report of the commission?

24 (5) The petition shall also include the following
25 statement:

26 Only municipalities voting in the affirmative on the
27 question will be held responsible for the costs of
28 the study commission.

29 (d) Filing of petition and duty of election board.--

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31 (3) At the next general, municipal or primary election
32 occurring not less than the 13th Tuesday after the filing of
33 the petition with the county board of elections, it shall
34 cause the appropriate question and statement listed under
35 subsection (c)(4) and (5) to be submitted to the electors of
36 each of the municipalities proposed to be consolidated or
37 merged in the same manner as other questions are submitted

1 under the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as
2 the Pennsylvania Election Code.