A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment SEPARATE AND DISTINCT AMENDMENTS to the <---
2 Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further <---
3 providing for ACTION ON CONCURRENT ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS AND <---
4 FOR Lieutenant Governor; PROVIDING FOR EXECUTIVE ORDERS; <---
5 FURTHER PROVIDING FOR QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS; AND <---
6 PROVIDING FOR ELECTION AUDITS. <---

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania <---
8 hereby resolves as follows: <---
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10 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of <---
11 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI: <---
12 That section 4 of Article IV be amended to read: <---
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14 SECTION 1. THE FOLLOWING SEPARATE AND DISTINCT AMENDMENTS TO <---
15 THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA ARE PROPOSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH <---
16 ARTICLE XI: <---
17 (1) THAT SECTION 9 OF ARTICLE III BE AMENDED TO READ: <---
18 § 9. ACTION ON CONCURRENT ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS. <---
19 EVERY ORDER, RESOLUTION OR VOTE, TO WHICH THE CONCURRENCE OF <---
20 BOTH HOUSES MAY BE NECESSARY, EXCEPT ON THE QUESTIONS OF
ADJOURNMENT, DISAPPROVAL OF A REGULATION OR TERMINATION OR EXTENSION OF A DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION AS DECLARED BY AN EXECUTIVE ORDER OR PROCLAMATION, OR PORTION OF A DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION AS DECLARED BY AN EXECUTIVE ORDER OR PROCLAMATION, SHALL BE PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR AND BEFORE IT SHALL TAKE EFFECT BE APPROVED BY HIM, OR BEING DISAPPROVED, SHALL BE REPASSED BY TWO-THIRDS OF BOTH HOUSES ACCORDING TO THE RULES AND LIMITATIONS PRESCRIBED IN CASE OF A BILL.

(2) THAT SECTION 4 OF ARTICLE IV BE AMENDED TO READ:

§ 4. Lieutenant Governor.

A Lieutenant Governor shall be chosen jointly with the Governor by the casting by each voter of a single vote applicable to both offices, for the same term, and subject to the same provisions as the Governor. Each candidate for Governor, having been nominated under the laws of this Commonwealth, shall, subject to the approval of the political party or political body, if any, nominating such candidate, select a candidate for Lieutenant Governor within such time before the gubernatorial general election as the General Assembly shall prescribe by law. A person may not seek election to both offices simultaneously. The Lieutenant Governor shall be President of the Senate. As such, the Lieutenant Governor may vote in case of a tie on any question except the final passage of a bill or joint resolution, the adoption of a conference report or the concurrence in amendments made by the House of Representatives.

Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article...
XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

(b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by the General Assembly.

(3) THAT ARTICLE IV BE AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ: <---

§ 21. EXECUTIVE ORDERS.

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER OR PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OR AN EXECUTIVE AGENCY WITH THE FORCE AND EFFECT OF LAW MAY NOT BE IN EFFECT FOR MORE THAN 21 DAYS, UNLESS OTHERWISE EXTENDED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(4) THAT SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE VII BE AMENDED TO READ:

§ 1. QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS.

EVERY CITIZEN 21 ONLY CITIZENS 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, POSSESsing THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS, SHALL BE ENTITLED TO VOTE AT ALL ELECTIONS SUBJECT, HOWEVER, TO SUCH LAWS REQUIRING
AND REGULATING THE REGISTRATION OF ELECTORS AS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MAY ENACT.

1. He or she shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month.

2. He or she shall have resided in the state [90] 30 days immediately preceding the election.

3. He or she shall have resided in the election district where he or she shall offer to vote at least [60] 30 days immediately preceding the election, except that if qualified to vote in an election district prior to removal of residence, he or she may, if a resident of Pennsylvania, vote in the election district from which he or she removed his or her residence within [60] 30 days preceding the election.

4. He or she shall present valid identification prior to voting, regardless of voting method. If an elector does not possess valid identification, he or she shall, upon request, be furnished with a government-issued identification at no cost to the elector. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "valid identification" shall mean any unexpired government-issued identification, unless otherwise authorized by statute.

(5) That Article VII be amended by adding a section to read:

§ 15. Election Audits.

The General Assembly shall by statute provide for the auditing of elections, including the administration of elections, certification of election machines, the accuracy of the list of registered voters, the administration of voter registration and election results. Election audits shall be conducted by the Auditor General. In years when the Auditor General stands for election to any office, an independent auditor shall conduct the audit.
SECTION 2. (A) UPON THE FIRST PASSAGE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THESE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO COMPLY WITH THE ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE XI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA AND SHALL TRANSMIT THE REQUIRED ADVERTISEMENTS TO TWO NEWSPAPERS IN EVERY COUNTY IN WHICH SUCH NEWSPAPERS ARE PUBLISHED IN SUFFICIENT TIME AFTER PASSAGE OF THESE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

(B) UPON THE SECOND PASSAGE BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THESE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL PROCEED IMMEDIATELY TO COMPLY WITH THE ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE XI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA AND SHALL TRANSMIT THE REQUIRED ADVERTISEMENTS TO TWO NEWSPAPERS IN EVERY COUNTY IN WHICH SUCH NEWSPAPERS ARE PUBLISHED IN SUFFICIENT TIME AFTER PASSAGE OF THESE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS. THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL:

(1) SUBMIT THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT UNDER SECTION 1(1) OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH AS A SEPARATE BALLOT QUESTION AT THE FIRST PRIMARY, GENERAL OR MUNICIPAL ELECTION WHICH MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF AND IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 1 OF ARTICLE XI OF THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA AND WHICH OCCURS AT LEAST THREE MONTHS AFTER THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT IS PASSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

(2) SUBMIT THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT UNDER SECTION 1(2) OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH AS A SEPARATE BALLOT QUESTION AT THE FIRST BALLOT QUESTION AT THE FIRST PRIMARY, GENERAL OR MUNICIPAL ELECTION WHICH MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF AND IS IN CONFORMANCE WITH SECTION 1 OF
(3) Submit the proposed constitutional amendment under section 1(3) of this resolution to the qualified electors of this commonwealth as a separate ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of article xi of the constitution of pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by the general assembly.

(4) Submit the proposed constitutional amendment under section 1(4) of this resolution to the qualified electors of this commonwealth as a separate ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of article xi of the constitution of pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by the general assembly.

(5) Submit the proposed constitutional amendment under section 1(5) of this resolution to the qualified electors of this commonwealth as a separate ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of article xi of the constitution of pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by the general assembly.