THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 1223 Session of 1977

INTRODUCED BY MR. POTT, MRS. E. Z. TAYLOR, MESSRS. YAHNER, MILLER, HELFRICK, HOEFFEL, WEIDNER, MOEHLMANN, ZEARFOSS, MRKONIC, KNEPPER, O'CONNELL, BRANDT, HOPKINS, W. D. HUTCHINSON, VROON, HASKELL, FISCHER AND MRS. SIRIANNI, JUNE 6, 1977

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, SEPTEMBER 11, 1978

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled 1 2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, 3 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, courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, 7 8 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and 9 10 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to elections," further providing for the General primary and 11 Municipal primary elections. 12

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. Section 603, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,

16 No.320), known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code," amended

17 December 22, 1971 (P.L.613, No.165), is amended to read:

18 Section 603. General Primary; Candidates to Be Nominated and

19 Party Officers to Be Elected. -- There shall be a General primary

20 preceding each general election which shall be held on the

21 [third] <u>second</u> Tuesday of [May] <u>September</u> in all even-numbered

years, except in the year of the nomination of a President of 1 the United States, in which year the General primary shall be 2 3 held on the [fourth] <u>SECOND</u> Tuesday of [April] <u>JUNE</u>. Candidates 4 for all offices to be filled at the ensuing general election 5 shall be nominated at the General primary. The vote for candidates for the office of President of the United States, as 6 provided for by this act, shall be cast at the General primary. 7 8 Section 2. Section 604 of the act, amended January 14, 1952 (1951, P.L.1937, No.540), is amended to read: 9

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10 Section 604. Municipal Primary; Officers to be Nominated.--11 There shall be a Municipal primary preceding each municipal 12 election which shall be held on the [third] <u>second</u> Tuesday of 13 [May] <u>September</u> in all odd-numbered years. Candidates for all 14 offices to be filled at the ensuing municipal election shall be 15 nominated at the Municipal primary.

16 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days and shall 17 apply to elections in 1979 and thereafter.

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