THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1851 Session of 1977

Report of the Committee of Conference

To the Members of the House of Representatives and Senate:

We, the undersigned, Committee of Conference on the part of the House of Representatives and Senate for the purpose of considering House Bill No. 1851, entitled:
"An act amending the act of April 29, 1937 (P.L.487, No.115), entitled, as amended, 'An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of electors in cities of the second class, cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, boroughs, towns, and townships as a condition of their right to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as members of political parties as a further condition of their right to vote at primaries; * * *; and imposing penalties,' authorizing change of registration by mail and providing for the RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS FOR registration of AND VOTING FOR certain electors confined in penal institutions and mental institutions."

respectfully submit the following bill as our report:

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AN ACT

- Amending the act of April 29, 1937 (P.L.487, No.115), entitled, as amended, "An act to provide for the permanent personal 2 registration of electors in cities of the second class, 3 4 cities of the second class A, cities of the third class, 5 boroughs, towns, and townships as a condition of their right 6 to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as 7 members of political parties as a further condition of their 8 right to vote at primaries; prescribing certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries and the challenge and 9 10 proof of qualifications of electors; requiring the county 11 commissioners of the various counties to act as a 12 registration commission therefor; and prescribing the powers 13 and duties of citizens, parties, political bodies, 14 registration commissions, commissioners, registrars, 15 inspectors of registration and other appointees of 16 registration commissions, county election boards, election 17 officers, municipal officers, departments and bureaus, police 18 officers, courts, judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county 19 commissioners, peace officers, county treasurers, county 20 controllers, registrars of vital statistics, certain public 21 utility corporations, real estate brokers, rental agents, and 22 boards of school directors; and imposing penalties," 23 authorizing change of registration by mail.
- 24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 25 hereby enacts as follows:
- 26 Section 1. The act of April 29, 1937 (P.L.487, No.115),
- 27 known as "The Permanent Registration Act for Cities of the
- 28 Second Class, Cities of the Second Class A, Cities of the Third
- 29 Class, Boroughs, Towns, and Townships, " reenacted and amended
- 30 May 31, 1955 (P.L.62, No.32), is amended by adding a section to
- 31 read:
- 32 Section 17.2. Change of Registration by Mail. -- (a) Any
- 33 registered elector may change his registration in the same
- 34 manner as section 17.1 provides for registration by mail.
- 35 (b) The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall cause to be
- 36 prepared and printed at the expense of the Commonwealth forms
- 37 upon which a registered elector may change his registration by
- 38 mail in a similar fashion as provided for in section 17.1.
- 39 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.