
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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MARKOSEK, PRESTON, PISTELLA, MICHLOVIC AND DAWIDA, MAY 23,
1983

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MAY 23, 1983

AN ACT

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

13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
14 hereby enacts as follows:

15 Section 1. Section 305(a) of the act of June 3, 1937
16 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is
17 amended by adding a clause to read:

18 Section 305. Expenses of County Boards and of Primaries and
19 Elections to Be Paid by County; Expenses of Special Elections;
20 Boards to Be Provided with Offices.--

21 (a) The county commissioners or other appropriating
22 authorities of the county shall appropriate annually, and from

1 time to time, to the county board of elections of such county,
2 the funds that shall be necessary for the maintenance and
3 operation of the board and for the conduct of primaries and
4 elections in such county, including the payment of the
5 compensation of the employes of the board, custodians, election
6 officers, and other assistants and employes herein provided for,
7 and the fees of witnesses as herein provided; for the purchase
8 or printing, under contracts made by the board, of all ballots
9 and other primary and election supplies required by this act, or
10 which the board shall consider necessary to carry out the
11 provisions of this act; for the purchase, under contracts made
12 by the board, and maintenance, of voting machines, when adopted
13 as herein provided, and of all other primary and election
14 equipment required by this act, or which the board shall
15 consider necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; for
16 the publication of notices authorized by this act, under
17 contracts made by the board, and for all other necessary
18 expenses hereunder: Provided, however, That bonds or other
19 evidences of indebtedness, payable not later than thirty years
20 from their dates of issuance, may be issued by the county
21 commissioners or other appropriating authorities of the county
22 in accordance with the provisions of law relating to the
23 increase of indebtedness of such county, to meet all or any part
24 of the cost of voting machines.

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26 5. The Department of State shall reimburse county boards of
27 election fifty per centum of the cost of their operation in
28 years when there are only State and Federal officers to be
29 elected.

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1 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1983.