

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY FARMER, LAUGHLIN, ITKIN, FARGO, TRELLO, MILLER,
TRAVAGLIO, YOUNGBLOOD AND HERSHEY, JANUARY 25, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 25, 1995

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of March 30, 1937 (P.L.115, No.40), entitled
2 "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of
3 electors in cities of the first class as a condition of their
4 right to vote at elections and primaries, and their
5 enrollment as members of political parties as a further
6 condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing
7 certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries
8 and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors;
9 and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties,
10 bodies of electors, registration commissions, commissioners,
11 registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees
12 of registration commission, election officers, municipal
13 officers, departments and bureaus, police officers, courts,
14 judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace
15 officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars
16 of vital statistics, real estate brokers, rental agents,
17 certain public service companies, persons, firms, and
18 corporations operating vehicles for moving furniture and
19 household goods, and boards of school directors; and imposing
20 penalties," requiring recording of former name of registered
21 electors.

22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
23 hereby enacts as follows:

24 Section 1. Section 4(b) of the act of March 30, 1937
25 (P.L.115, No.40), known as The First Class City Permanent
26 Registration Act, amended July 1, 1976 (P.L.476, No.122), is
27 amended to read:

1 Section 4. Powers of Commissions; Regulations; Enforcement;
2 Correction of Errors or Irregularities; Cancellation of
3 Registration; Powers of Commissioners.--

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5 (b) The commission shall have power to correct, direct or
6 permit the correction of any error or any irregularity in
7 registration, to change or permit the change on the registration
8 affidavits and its records of the name of any registered elector
9 changed by order of a court of competent jurisdiction or by
10 reason of her marriage or divorce, and to cancel the
11 registration of any person whom it may find to be improperly
12 registered, and to cancel the party enrollment of any registered
13 elector whom it may find to be improperly enrolled as a member
14 of a party, subject only to the provisions of this act, and
15 provided that notice in writing shall be given to, or left at
16 the address of, each person whose registration or enrollment is
17 cancelled. Whenever a registered elector's name is changed for
18 any reason, the initial registration number shall remain the
19 same, and the file shall reflect the former name changed to the
20 new name. Notice in writing of the cancellation of the
21 registration or party enrollment of any elector, as well as
22 notice of the serving of any paper upon or left at the address
23 of any elector with respect to his right to be registered or
24 enrolled as a member of the party designated by him and an
25 official application registration card, shall be sent promptly
26 to the city chairman of the party of which such person was or
27 may be registered as a member, if such party has headquarters
28 within the city known to the commission.

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30 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.