

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1020 Session of 2013

INTRODUCED BY SIMMONS, CHRISTIANA, MUNDY, EVANKOVICH, D. COSTA, MAHONEY, DAVIDSON, MOUL, MILNE, BENNINGHOFF, DeLUCA, ROCK, GABLER, DENLINGER, GROVE, GILLEN, METCALFE, GINGRICH, JAMES, SANKEY, VEREB, KIRKLAND AND SWANGER, MARCH 19, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 19, 2013

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," in dates of elections and primaries and special
12 elections, further providing for affidavits of candidates;
13 and, in nomination of candidates, further providing for
14 affidavits of candidates.

15 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
16 hereby enacts as follows:

17 Section 1. Sections 630.1 and 981.1 of the act of June 3,
18 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election
19 Code, amended May 12, 2006 (P.L.178, No.45), are amended to
20 read:

21 Section 630.1. Affidavits of Candidates.--Each candidate for
22 any State, county, city, borough, incorporated town, township,
23 school district or poor district office, or for the office of

1 United States Senator or Representative in Congress, selected as
2 provided in section 630 of this act, shall file with the
3 nomination certificate an affidavit stating--(a) his residence,
4 with street and number, if any, and his post-office address; (b)
5 his election district, giving city, borough, town or township;
6 (c) the name of the office for which he consents to be a
7 candidate; (d) that he is eligible for such office; (e) that he
8 will not knowingly violate any provision of this act, or of any
9 law regulating and limiting election expenses and prohibiting
10 corrupt practices in connection therewith; (f) unless he is a
11 candidate for judge of a court of common pleas, the Philadelphia
12 Municipal Court or the Traffic Court of Philadelphia[, or for
13 the office of school board in a district where that office is
14 elective] or for the office of justice of the peace, that he is
15 not a candidate for the same office of any party or political
16 body other than the one designated in such certificate; (g) that
17 he is aware of the provisions of section 1626 of this act
18 requiring election and post-election reporting of campaign
19 contributions and expenditures; and (h) that he is not a
20 candidate for an office which he already holds, the term of
21 which is not set to expire in the same year as the office
22 subject to the affidavit.

23 Section 981.1. Affidavits of Candidates.--Each candidate for
24 any State, county, city, borough, incorporated town, township,
25 ward, school district, poor district or election district
26 office, or for the office of United States Senator or
27 Representative in Congress, selected as provided in sections 979
28 and 980 of this act, shall file with the substituted nomination
29 certificate an affidavit stating--(a) his residence, with street
30 and number, if any, and his post-office address; (b) his

1 election district, giving city, borough, town or township; (c)
2 the name of the office for which he consents to be a candidate;
3 (d) that he is eligible for such office; (e) that he will not
4 knowingly violate any provision of this act, or of any law
5 regulating and limiting election expenses and prohibiting
6 corrupt practices in connection therewith; (f) unless he is a
7 candidate for judge of a court of common pleas, the Philadelphia
8 Municipal Court or the Traffic Court of Philadelphia[, or for
9 the office of school board in a district where that office is
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12 body other than the one designated in such certificate; (g) that
13 he is aware of the provisions of section 1626 of this act
14 requiring election and post-election reporting of campaign
15 contributions and expenditures; and (h) that he is not a
16 candidate for an office which he already holds, the term of
17 which is not set to expire in the same year as the office
18 subject to the affidavit.

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