THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY IRVIN, PICKETT, TOPPER, KAUFFMAN, TOOHIL, JAMES, MILLARD, ZIMMERMAN, BARRAR, BERNSTINE, HERSHEY, SAYLOR AND STRUZZI, MARCH 18, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 18, 2019

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, 1 2 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, 3 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating and defining membership of county boards of elections; 5 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; 6 7 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, 8 9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to 10 elections," in electronic voting systems, further providing 11 for examination and approval of electronic voting systems by 12 the Secretary of the Commonwealth. 13 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 15 hereby enacts as follows: 16 Section 1. Section 1105-A of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is 17 amended by adding a subsection to read: 18 19 Section 1105-A. Examination and Approval of Electronic 20 Voting Systems by the Secretary of the Commonwealth. --* * * 21 (c.1) The Secretary of the Commonwealth may not revoke the 22 approval of an electronic voting system that includes an apparatus in which paper ballots or ballot cards are used in 23

- 1 connection with an implement by which a voter registers his
- 2 votes with ink or another substance so that the votes so
- 3 registered may be computed and tabulated by means of automatic
- 4 <u>tabulating equipment.</u>
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- 6 Section 2. The addition of section 1105-A(c.1) of the act
- 7 shall expire in four years.
- 8 Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.