

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 418 Session of 2019

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REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 19, 2019

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 ballots, further providing for number of  
 12 ballots to be printed and specimen ballots.

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

15 Section 1. Section 1007 of the act of June 3, 1937  
 16 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is  
 17 amended to read:

18 Section 1007. Number of Ballots to Be Printed; Specimen  
 19 Ballots.--(a) The county board of each county shall provide for  
 20 each election district [in which a primary is to be held, one  
 21 book of fifty official ballots of each party for every forty-  
 22 five registered and enrolled electors of such party and fraction

1 thereof, appearing upon the district register, and shall provide  
2 for each election district in which an election is to be held  
3 one book of fifty official ballots for every forty-five  
4 registered electors and fraction thereof appearing upon the  
5 district register.] a supply of official election ballots for:

6 (1) the primary election in an amount of at least ten per  
7 centum greater than the highest number of ballots cast in any of  
8 the previous three primary elections in the election district;  
9 and

10 (2) the general election in an amount of at least ten per  
11 centum greater than the highest number of ballots cast in any of  
12 the previous three general elections in the election district.

13 (b) They shall also, in addition to the number of ballots  
14 required to be printed for general distribution, maintain a  
15 sufficient supply of such ballots at the office of the county  
16 board for the use of absentee electors and for the use of any  
17 district, the ballots for which may be lost, destroyed or  
18 stolen. They shall also cause to be printed on tinted paper, and  
19 without the facsimile endorsements, permanent binding or stubs,  
20 copies of the form of ballots provided for each polling place at  
21 each primary or election therein, which shall be called specimen  
22 ballots, and which shall be of the same size and form as the  
23 official ballots, and at each election they shall deliver to the  
24 election officers, in addition to the official ballots to be  
25 used at such election, a suitable supply of specimen ballots for  
26 the use of the electors. At each primary, a suitable supply of  
27 specimen ballots of each party shall be furnished.

28 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 90 days.