

PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE - NUMBER OF SIGNERS REQUIRED FOR
NOMINATION PETITIONS OF CANDIDATES AT PRIMARIES

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SB 299

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, primary and election expenses and election contests; creating and defining membership of county boards of elections; imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to elections," in nomination of candidates, further providing for number of signers required for nomination petitions of candidates at primaries.

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

Section 1. Section 912.1(32) of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is amended to read:

Section 912.1. Number of Signers Required for Nomination Petitions of Candidates at Primaries.--Candidates for nomination of offices as listed below shall present a nominating petition containing at least as many valid signatures of registered and enrolled members of the proper party as listed below:

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(32) [Office of district justice: One hundred.] **Office of magisterial district judge: One hundred, but only for a candidate's primary election when the candidate does not already hold the office of magisterial district judge. A sitting magisterial district judge elected to the office shall not be required to file a nominating petition under this section to run for the office of magisterial district judge but may instead file a certificate of nomination for reelection specifying the intent to seek reelection to the office. If a sitting magisterial district judge files a certificate of nomination for reelection, the sitting magisterial district judge may not challenge the nominating petition of another candidate for magisterial district judge.**

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

APPROVED--The 24th day of October, A.D. 2018.

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