

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
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1984

INTRODUCED BY SAURMAN, PETRARCA, HERSHEY, TIGUE, CESSAR,
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CIVERA, SEPTEMBER 24, 1984

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 24, 1984

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," further regulating voting machine equipment.

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

14 Section 1. Section 1202, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,
15 No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code" is amended to
16 read:

17 Section 1202. Cards of Instructions and Supplies.--(a)
18 Prior to each primary and election each county board of election
19 shall prepare full instructions for the guidance of electors in
20 districts in which ballots are used, and also similar
21 instructions for the guidance of electors in districts in which
22 voting machines are used, and they shall cause the same,

1 together with such portions of this act as deemed advisable, to
2 be printed in large clear type on separate cards to be called
3 cards of instruction. They shall also prepare blank forms of
4 oaths of election officers, records of assisted voters,
5 affidavits of challenged electors and others, general and
6 duplicate return sheets, tally papers, statements, blank forms
7 for numbered lists of voters, with sufficient space for noting
8 their party enrollment at primaries, notice of penalties for the
9 information of electors and election officers, and other forms
10 and supplies required by this act for use in each election
11 district of the county. Said forms, blank books, and other
12 supplies shall have printed thereon appropriate instructions. In
13 districts in which voting machines are used the general and
14 duplicate return sheets and statement shall be printed to
15 conform to the type of voting machine used in such districts and
16 the designating number and letter, if any, on the counter for
17 each candidate shall be printed thereon opposite the candidate's
18 name.

19 (b) In districts in which voting machines are used, all new
20 machines purchased must be equipped with fold down steps and
21 fold down magnifiers in order to assist electors with the voting
22 process.

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