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 ballots, further providing for form of official election ballot; in voting machines, further providing for requirements of voting machines and for form of ballot labels on voting machines; in electronic voting systems, further providing for requirements of electronic voting systems, for forms and for election day procedures and the process of voting; and, in preparation for and conduct of primaries and elections, further providing for instructions of voters and manner of voting in districts in which voting machines are used, for count and return of votes in districts in which ballots are used and for what ballots shall be counted, manner of counting and defective ballots.

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 PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR
DEFINITIONS; IN THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, PROVIDING
FOR REQUIREMENTS FOR DISAPPROVAL OR DECERTIFICATION OF VOTING
APPARATUS; IN ELECTION DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES,
FURTHER PROVIDING FOR RESTRICTIONS ON ALTERATION; IN
NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR PETITION MAY
CONSIST OF SEVERAL SHEETS AND AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR AND FOR
NOMINATIONS BY POLITICAL BODIES; IN BALLOTS, FURTHER
PROVIDING FOR FORM OF OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT, FOR FORM OF
OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT AND FOR NUMBER OF BALLOTS TO BE
PRINTED AND SPECIMEN BALLOTS; IN VOTING MACHINES, FURTHER
PROVIDING FOR REQUIREMENTS OF VOTING MACHINES AND FOR FORM OF
BALLOT LABELS ON VOTING MACHINES; IN ELECTRONIC VOTING
SYSTEMS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR REQUIREMENTS OF ELECTRONIC
VOTING SYSTEMS, FOR FORMS, FOR ELECTION DAY PROCEDURES AND
THE PROCESS OF VOTING AND FOR POST ELECTION PROCEDURES; IN
PREPARATION FOR AND CONDUCT OF PRIMARIES AND ELECTIONS,
FURTHER PROVIDING FOR MANNER OF APPLYING TO VOTE AND PERSONS
ENTITLED TO VOTE AND VOTER'S CERTIFICATES AND ENTRIES TO BE
MADE IN DISTRICT REGISTER AND NUMBERED LISTS OF VOTERS AND
CHALLENGES, FOR METHOD OF MARKING BALLOTS AND DEPOSITING SAME
IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED, FOR INSTRUCTIONS OF
VOTERS AND MANNER OF VOTING IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH VOTING
MACHINES ARE USED, FOR COUNT AND RETURN OF VOTES IN DISTRICTS
IN WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED, FOR WHAT BALLOTS SHALL BE COUNTED,
MANNER OF COUNTING AND DEFECTIVE BALLOTS AND FOR CANVASS AND
RETURN OF VOTES IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH VOTING MACHINES ARE
USED AND PROVIDING FOR DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF VALID VOTER
REGISTRATION APPLICATION, FOR APPEALS AND FOR APPEALS TO
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS; IN VOTING BY QUALIFIED ABSENTEE
ELECTORS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL
ABSENTEE BALLOTS, FOR DATE OF APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE
BALLOT, FOR APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT, FOR
ABSENTEE ELECTORS FILES AND LISTS, FOR OFFICIAL ABSENTEE
VOTERS BALLOTS, FOR DELIVERING OR MAILING BALLOTS, FOR VOTING
BY ABSENTEE ELECTORS, FOR CANVASSING OF OFFICIAL ABSENTEE
BALLOTS AND FOR PUBLIC RECORDS; PROVIDING FOR VOTING BY
QUALIFIED MAIL-IN ELECTORS; IN RETURNS OF PRIMARIES AND
ELECTIONS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR MANNER OF COMPUTING
IRREGULAR BALLOTS; IN PRIMARY AND ELECTION EXPENSES, FURTHER
PROVIDING FOR REPORTING BY CANDIDATES AND POLITICAL
COMMITTEES AND OTHER PERSONS; PROVIDING FOR DISSEMINATION OF
INFORMATION AND FOR JURISDICTION; AND MAKING RELATED REPEALS.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections 1003(a), 1107(b), 1110(h), 1107-A(3),
1109-A(a)(2) and (d), 1112-A(a)(2) and (4), 1216(d) and (f),
1222(a) and (b) and 1223(a) of the act of June 3, 1937
(P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, are
amended to read:

Section 1003. Form of Official Election Ballot.
The official ballots for general, municipal and special elections shall be in substantially the following form:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

........................ District, ........................ Ward,
City of ............................... County of .........................,
State of Pennsylvania ............................... 
Election held on the ........ day of .............., [12]

A cross (X) or check ( ) mark in the square opposite the name of any candidate indicates a vote for that candidate.

To vote a straight party ticket, mark a cross (X) or check ( ) in the square, in the Party Column, opposite the name of the party of your choice. To vote for an individual candidate of another party after making a mark in the party square, mark a cross (X) or check ( ) opposite his name. For an office where more than one candidate is to be voted for, the voter, after marking in the party square, may divide his vote by marking a cross (X) or check ( ) to the right of each candidate for whom he or she desires to vote. For such office votes shall not be counted for candidates not individually marked.

To vote for a person whose name is not on the ballot, write, print or paste his name in the blank space provided for that purpose. A cross (X) or check ( ) mark in the square opposite the names of the candidates of any party for President and Vice President of the United States indicates a vote for all the candidates of that party for presidential elector. To vote for individual candidates for presidential elector, write, print or paste their names in the blank spaces provided for that purpose under the title "Presidential Electors." Mark ballot only in black lead pencil, indelible pencil or blue, black or blue-black.
ink, in fountain pen or ball point pen, use the same pencil or pen for all markings you place on the ballot.

Before leaving the voting compartment, fold this ballot, without displaying the markings thereon, in the same way it was folded when received, then leave the compartment and exhibit the ballot to one of the election officers who shall ascertain by an inspection of the number appearing upon the right hand corner of the back of the ballot whether the ballot so exhibited to him is the same ballot which the elector received before entering the voting compartment. If it is the same, the election officer shall direct the elector, without unfolding the ballot, to remove the perforated corner containing the number, and the elector shall immediately deposit the ballot in the ballot box. Any ballot deposited in a ballot box at any primary or election without having the said number torn off shall be void and shall not be counted.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Party Column</th>
<th>Presidential Electors</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>To Vote a Straight Party Ticket</td>
<td>(Vote for the candidates of one party for President and Vice-President, or insert the names of candidates.)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mark a Cross (X) or Check ( ) in this Column.</td>
<td>For</td>
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Democratic

__ and

Richard Doe,

Democratic ....................

__ For

John Doe

Republican

__ and

Richard Roe,
For John Smith and William Jones, Socialist

Presidential Electors.
(Vote for the candidates of one party for President and Vice-President, or insert the names of candidates)

For

John Stiles and Richard Doe......................... Democratic

For

John Doe and Richard Roe......................... Republican

For

John Smith and William Jones......................... Socialist

For

Citizens

United States Senator.
(Vote for one)

Richard Roe ........................................ Democratic

John Doe ........................................ Republican

Richard Stiles ..................................... Socialist

Governor.
(Vote for one)

Richard Roe ........................................ Democratic

John Doe ........................................ Republican

Richard Stiles ..................................... Socialist

Representatives in Congress,
....... District.
(Vote for one)

Richard Roe ......................................... Democratic
John Doe ............................................ Republican
Richard Stiles ....................................... Socialist

Senator in the General Assembly,

....... District.

(Vote for one)

John Doe ............................................ Democratic
Richard Roe ......................................... Republican

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Section 1107. Requirements of Voting Machines.—No voting-
machine shall, upon any examination or reexamination, be-
approved by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or by any-
examiner appointed by him, unless it shall, at the time, satisfy-
the following requirements:

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[(b) It shall permit each voter, at other than primary-
elections, to vote a straight political party ticket in one-
operation, and, in one operation, to vote for all the candidates-
of one political party for presidential electors, and, in one-
operation, to vote for all the candidates of one political party-
for every office to be voted for, except those offices as to-
which he votes for individual candidates.]

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Section 1110. Form of Ballot Labels on Voting Machines.—

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(h) The names of all candidates of a political party shall-
appear in the same row or column, and except in cases of names-
of presidential commitments of nominees for delegate or-
alternate delegate to political party National conventions no-
other names shall appear in the same row or column[, to the left
or top of which shall be a straight party lever, by means of
which an elector may, in one operation, vote for all the
candidates of that political party for every office to be voted
for]. Where the names of the delegate or alternate delegate and
the presidential candidate he is supporting shall both appear,
the print size of the name of the delegate or alternate delegate
shall be equal to the size of the name of the particular
presidential candidate to whom he is committed, or in the case
where he is uncommitted, the word "uncommitted" shall appear in
the same size print. The names of such candidates shall be
arranged under or opposite the title of the office for which
they are candidates, and shall appear in the order of the votes
obtained by the candidate for Governor of the party nominated at
the last gubernatorial election, beginning with the party
obtaining the highest number of votes: Provided, however, That
in the case of parties or bodies not represented on the ballot
at the last gubernatorial election, the names of the candidates
of such parties shall be arranged alphabetically, according to
the party or body name. The names of all candidates of a
political body shall appear in the same row or column, and, if
the number of parties and bodies permits, each political body
shall be entitled exclusively to a separate row or column[, with
a straight party lever]. If, however, the number of political-
parties and political bodies renders it impossible or
impracticable to so arrange the political bodies, in such case
said bodies shall not be entitled to a separate row or column
[and a straight party lever], but shall be listed by political-
appellations on the first left hand or top row, with the
designating letter and number of the ballot label where their
candidates may be found, together with the political
appellations of other political bodies, whose candidates may be
interspersed on the same row or column. Subject to the aforesaid
limitations, the form and arrangement of ballot labels, as to
the placing thereon of political bodies, shall be within the
discretion of the county board.

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Section 1107 A. Requirements of Electronic Voting Systems.

No electronic voting system shall, upon any examination or
reexamination, be approved by the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
or by any examiner appointed by him, unless it shall be
established that such system, at the time of such examination or
reexamination:

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[(3) Permits each voter, at other than primary elections, to
vote a straight political party ticket by one mark or act and,
by one mark or act, to vote for all the candidates of one
political party for presidential electors and, by one mark or
act, to vote for all the candidates of one political party for
every office to be voted for, and every such mark or act shall
be equivalent to and shall be counted as a vote for every
candidate of the political party so marked including its
candidates for presidential electors, except with respect to
those offices as to which the voter has registered a vote for
individual candidates of the same or another political party or
political body, in which case the automatic tabulating equipment
shall credit the vote for that office only for the candidate
individually so selected, notwithstanding the fact that the
voter may not have individually voted for the full number of
candidates for that office for which he was entitled to vote.]
Section 1109-A. Forms.--(a) * * *

(2) The pages placed on the voting device shall be of sufficient number to include, following the listing of particular candidates, the names of candidates for any nontpartisan offices and any measures for which a voter may be qualified to vote on a given election day, provided further that for municipal, general or special elections, the first ballot page shall list in the order that such political parties are entitled to priority on the ballot, the names of such political parties [with designating arrows so as to indicate the voting square or position on the ballot card where the voter may insert by one mark or punch the straight party ticket of his choice].

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[(d) In partisan elections the ballot cards shall include a voting square or position whereby the voter may by one punch or mark record a straight party ticket vote for all the candidates of one party or may vote a split ticket for the candidates of his choice.]

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Section 1112-A. Election Day Procedures and the Process of Voting.--(a) In an election district which uses an electronic voting system in which votes are registered electronically, the following procedures will be applicable for the conduct of the election at the election district:

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(2) At [primary] all elections, the voter shall be able to vote for each candidate individually by the means provided. [At all other elections, he may vote for each candidate individually, or he may vote a straight political party ticket]
in one operation by operating the straight political party
mechanism of the political party or political body of his
choice. He may also, after having operated the straight party
mechanism and before recording his vote, cancel the vote for any
candidate of such political party or political body and may
thereupon vote for a candidate of another party, or political
body for the same office.] The voter may also vote individually
for or against a question submitted to the vote of the electors.

(4) At any general election at which presidential electors
are to be chosen, each elector shall be permitted to vote by one
operation for all the presidential electors of a political party
or political body. For each party or body nominating
presidential electors, a ballot label shall be provided
containing only the words "Presidential Electors," preceded by
the names of the party or body and followed by the names of the
candidates thereof for the Office of President and Vice-
President, and the corresponding counter or registering device
shall register votes cast for said electors when thus voted for
collectively. If any elector desires to vote a ticket for
presidential electors made up of the names of persons nominated
by different parties or bodies, or partially of names of persons
so in nomination and partially of names of persons not in
nomination by any party or body, he may write or deposit a paper-
ballet prepared by himself in the receptacle provided in or on
the voting device for that purpose, or he may list their names
on the write-in ballot or envelope provided for that purpose.
The voting device shall be so constructed that it will not be
possible for any one voter to vote a straight party ticket for
presidential electors and at the same time to deposit a ballot.
for presidential electors in a receptacle as [hereinabove] provided in this section. When the votes for presidential electors are counted, the votes appearing upon the counter or registering device corresponding to the ballot label containing the names of the candidates for President and Vice President of any party or body shall be counted as votes for each of the candidates for presidential elector of such party or body, and thereupon all candidates for presidential elector shall be credited, in addition, with the votes cast for them upon the ballots deposited in the machine, as [hereinabove] provided in this section.

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Section 1216. Instructions of Voters and Manner of Voting in Districts in Which Voting Machines are Used.--

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(d) At [primaries] all elections, he shall vote for each candidate individually by operating the key, handle, pointer or knob, upon or adjacent to which the name of such candidate is placed. [At elections, he may vote for each candidate individually by operating the key, handle, pointer or knob, upon or adjacent to which the names of candidates of his choice are placed, or he may vote a straight political party ticket in one operation by operating the straight political party lever of the political party or political body of his choice, if such machine has thereon a separate lever for all the candidates of the political body. He may also, after having operated the straight party lever, and before recording his vote, cancel the vote for any candidate of such political party or political body by replacing the individual key, handle, pointer or knob of such candidate, and may thereupon vote for a candidate of another]
party, or political body for the same office by operating the key, handle, pointer or knob, upon or adjacent to which the name of such candidate appears.] In the case of a question submitted to the vote of the electors, the elector shall operate the key, handle, pointer or knob corresponding to the answer which he desires to give.

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(f) At any general election at which presidential electors are to be chosen, each elector shall be permitted to vote by one operation for all the presidential electors of a political party or political body. For each party or body nominating presidential electors, a ballot label shall be provided containing only the words "Presidential Electors," preceded by the names of the party or body and followed by the names of the candidates thereof for the office of President and Vice-President, and the corresponding counter or registering device shall register votes cast for said electors when thus voted for collectively. If an elector desires to vote a ticket for presidential electors made up of the names of persons nominated by different parties or bodies, or partially of names of persons so in nomination and partially of names of persons not in nomination by any party or body, or wholly of names of persons not in nomination by any party or body, he may write or deposit a paper ballot prepared by himself in the receptacle provided in or on the machine for the purpose. The machine shall be so constructed that it will not be possible for any one voter to vote a straight party ticket for presidential electors and at the same time to deposit a ballot for presidential electors in a receptacle as [hereinabove] provided in this section. When the votes for presidential electors are counted, the votes appearing...
upon the counter or registering device corresponding to the ballot label containing the names of the candidates for President and Vice President of any party or body shall be counted as votes for each of the candidates for presidential elector of such party or body, and thereupon all candidates for presidential elector shall be credited, in addition, with the votes cast for them upon the ballots deposited in the machine, as [hereinabove] provided in this section.

Section 1222. Count and Return of Votes in Districts in Which Ballots are Used.—

(a) As soon as all the ballots have been properly accounted for, and those outside the ballot box, as well as the "Voting Check List," numbered lists of voters and district register sealed, the election officers shall forthwith open the ballot box, and take therefrom all ballots therein, and at primaries, separate the same according to the party to which they belong. The ballots shall then be counted one by one, and a record made of the total number, and at primaries of the total number cast for each party. Then the judge, under the scrutiny of the minority inspector, or the minority inspector, under the scrutiny of the judge, in the presence of the other officers, clerks, and of the overseers, if any, and within the hearing and sight of the watchers outside the enclosed space, shall read aloud the names of the candidates marked or inserted upon each ballot (at primaries the ballots of each party being read in sequence), together with the office for which the person named is a candidate, and the answers contained on the ballots to the questions submitted, if any, and the majority inspector and clerks shall carefully enter each vote as read, and keep account--
of the same in ink in triplicate tally papers (triplicate tally papers for each party at primaries) to be provided by the county board of elections for that purpose, all three of which shall be made at the same time.

Provided, That at all general, municipal and special elections, in entering each vote received by candidates at such election, it shall not be necessary to enter separate tally marks for each vote received by such candidates upon the ballots containing the same votes for the same names, commonly known, and in this act designated as "Straight Party Tickets" for such purpose straight party ticket votes shall be entered carefully as each straight party ticket vote is read on the triplicate tally sheets under the heading "Number of votes received upon the ......................... straight party tickets." Upon completing the number of votes received by each straight party ticket, the number so tallied for each party shall be entered numerically on the extreme right hand margin of each such tally paper. All ballots, after being removed from the box, shall be kept within the unobstructed view of all persons in the voting room until replaced in the box. No person while handling the ballots shall have in his hand any pencil, pen, stamp or other means of marking or spoiling any ballot. The election officers shall forthwith proceed to canvass and compute the votes cast, and shall not adjourn or postpone the canvass or computation until it shall have been fully completed.

(b) When the vote cast for the different persons named upon the ballots and upon the questions, if any, appearing thereon, shall have been fully recorded in the tally papers and counted, the election officers shall duly certify to the number of votes cast for each person (upon the respective party tickets at
primaries), and shall prepare in ink two (2) general returns,
showing, in addition to the entries made thereon as aforesaid,
the total number of ballots received from the county board (the
total of each party at primaries), the number of ballots cast-
(the number of each party at primaries), the number of ballots
(of each party at primaries) declared void, and the number of
ballots spoiled and cancelled, and any blank ballots cast, as-
well as the votes cast for each candidate. At elections, the
number of votes cast for each candidate by each political party
or political body of which such candidate is a nominee shall be
separately stated. Provided, That the number of votes received
by each set of candidates upon "straight party tickets" shall be
entered opposite the names of the respective candidates in a
column immediately adjoining upon the left which column shall be of convenient width and shall be headed "number of votes
received upon straight party tickets." In an immediate column
to the left thereto, the number of votes received by each
candidate upon all ballots [other than "straight party tickets"
including all ballots known as "split tickets"] shall be
entered, such column to be of convenient width and shall be headed "number of votes [received other than upon straight party
tickets." The number of votes received by each candidate as
shown in the column headed "number of votes received upon
straight party tickets" shall then be added, together with the
number of votes received by each candidate as shown in the
column headed "number of votes received other than upon straight
party tickets" and thereupon, the] received." The total number
of votes received by each candidate shall be entered in a column
on the extreme right-hand side of the return sheets, which
column shall be of convenient width and shall be headed "total
Nothing in this section contained shall be construed to authorize or permit the canvassing, counting or tallying ballots with any less degree of strictness than otherwise required by law, the intention of this section being to dispense with the individual tally marks only so far as the so-called "straight party tickets" are concerned, and all other operations of tallying, counting, canvassing and announcing the votes shall proceed as near as may be in accordance with the other provisions of this act.

Section 1223. What Ballots Shall Be Counted; Manner of Counting; Defective Ballots.—(a) No ballot which is so marked as to be capable of identification shall be counted. Any ballot that is marked in blue, black or blue-black ink, in fountain pen or ball point pen, or black lead pencil or indelible pencil, shall be valid and counted: Provided, That all markings on the ballot are made by the same pen or pencil. Any ballot marked by any other mark than an (X) or check ( ) in the spaces provided for that purpose shall be void and not counted: Provided, however, That no vote recorded thereon shall be declared void because a cross (X) or check ( ) mark thereon is irregular in form. Any erasure, mutilation or defective marking of the straight party column at November elections shall render the entire ballot void, unless the voter has properly indicated his choice for candidates in any office block, in which case the vote or votes for such candidates only shall be counted. Any erasure or mutilation in the vote in any office block shall render void the vote for any candidates in said block, but shall not invalidate the votes cast on the remainder of the ballot, if
otherwise properly marked. Any ballot indicating a vote for any
person whose name is not printed on the ballot, by writing,
stamping or sticker, shall be counted as a vote for such person,
if placed in the proper space or spaces provided for that
purpose, whether or not an (X) or check ( ) is placed after the
name of such person: Provided, however, That if such writing,
stamping or sticker is placed over the name of a candidate
printed on the ballot, it shall render the entire vote in said
office block void. If an elector shall mark his ballot for more
persons for any office than there are candidates to be voted for
for such office, or if, for any reason, it may be impossible to
determine his choice for any office, his ballot shall not be
counted for such office, but the ballot shall be counted for all
offices for which it is properly marked. Ballots not marked, or
improperly or defectively marked, so that the whole ballot is
void, shall be set aside and shall be preserved with the other
ballots.

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Section 2. This act shall apply to elections held on or

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 1. SECTION 102(Z.5)(3) OF THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937
(P.L.1333, NO.320), KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE, IS
AMENDED AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO
READ:

SECTION 102. DEFINITIONS.--THE FOLLOWING WORDS, WHEN USED IN
THIS ACT, SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS, UNLESS OTHERWISE
CLEARLY APPARENT FROM THE CONTEXT:

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(Z.5) THE WORDS "PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION" SHALL MEAN:
FOR A QUALIFIED ABSENTEE ELECTOR UNDER SECTION 1301 OR A QUALIFIED MAIL-IN ELECTOR UNDER SECTION 1301-D:

(I) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHO HAS BEEN ISSUED A CURRENT AND VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE, THE ELECTOR'S DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER;

(II) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHO HAS NOT BEEN ISSUED A CURRENT AND VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE, THE LAST FOUR DIGITS OF THE ELECTOR'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER;

(III) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHO HAS A RELIGIOUS OBJECTION TO BEING PHOTOGRAPHED, A COPY OF A DOCUMENT THAT SATISFIES PARAGRAPH (1); OR

(IV) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHO HAS NOT BEEN ISSUED A CURRENT AND VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, A COPY OF A DOCUMENT THAT SATISFIES PARAGRAPH (2).

THE WORDS "QUALIFIED MAIL-IN ELECTOR" SHALL MEAN A QUALIFIED ELECTOR WHO IS NOT A QUALIFIED ABSENTEE ELECTOR.

SECTION 2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:

SECTION 207. REQUIREMENTS FOR DISAPPROVAL OR DECERTIFICATION OF VOTING APPARATUSES.--(A) THE COMMONWEALTH MAY NOT DISAPPROVE OR DECERTIFY A VOTING APPARATUS IN FIFTY PER CENTUM (50%) OR MORE COUNTIES UNTIL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION HAVE BEEN MET.


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THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY (180)
DAYS PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE REPLACEMENT VOTING
APPARATUSES, CONTAINING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

(1) THE REASON FOR THE DISAPPROVAL OR DECERTIFICATION.
(2) THE ESTIMATED COST TO REPLACE THE DISAPPROVED OR
DECERTIFIED VOTING APPARATUS AND THE PLAN FOR HOW FUNDING WILL
BE OBTAINED TO COVER THE ESTIMATED COST.
(3) A PLAN FOR REPLACING THE DISAPPROVED OR DECERTIFIED
VOTING APPARATUS.
(4) THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE REPLACEMENT VOTING APPARATUS.

(C) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES
SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SUBSECTION UNLESS
THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

"ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM" SHALL HAVE THE MEANING GIVEN TO
THE TERM IN SECTION 1101-A.

"VOTING APPARATUS" SHALL MEAN A KIND OR TYPE OF ELECTRONIC
VOTING SYSTEM THAT RECEIVED THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY OF THE
COMMONWEALTH UNDER SECTION 1105-A.

SECTION 3. SECTIONS 536(A) AND (B), 909, 951(D), 1002(A) AND
(B), 1003(A) AND (E), 1007, 1107(B), 1110(H), 1107-A(3), 1109-
A(A)(2) AND (D), 1112-A(A)(2) AND (4) AND (B)(4), 1113-A(D),
1210(A.4)(1) AND (5)(II), 1215(B) AND (C), 1216(D) AND (F),
1222, 1223(A) AND 1227(D) OF THE ACT ARE AMENDED TO READ:

SECTION 536. RESTRICTIONS ON ALTERATION.--(A) EXCEPT AS
PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B), THERE SHALL BE NO POWER TO
ESTABLISH, ABOLISH, DIVIDE, CONSOLIDATE OR ALTER IN ANY MANNER
AN ELECTION DISTRICT DURING THE PERIOD [JULY 15, 2009] FROM
DECEMBER 31, 2019, THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, [2012] 2022, OR THROUGH
RESOLUTION OF ALL JUDICIAL APPEALS TO THE [2012] 2022
CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING PLAN, WHICHEVER OCCURS LATER.
(B) DURING THE PERIOD FROM [JULY 15, 2009] DECEMBER 31, 2019, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, [2010] 2020, AN ELECTION DISTRICT MAY BE DIVIDED OR ELECTION DISTRICTS MAY BE COMBINED IF THE FOLLOWING ARE MET:

(1) IN THE CASE OF THE DIVISION OF AN ELECTION DISTRICT, THE BOUNDARY OF EACH RESULTING DISTRICT IS COMPOSED ENTIRELY OF CLEARLY VISIBLE PHYSICAL FEATURES CONFORMING WITH THE CENSUS BLOCK LINES OR PORTIONS OF THE ORIGINAL BOUNDARY OF THE ELECTION DISTRICT WHICH WAS DIVIDED.

(2) IN THE CASE OF THE COMBINATION OF ELECTION DISTRICTS, THE BOUNDARY OF EACH RESULTING DISTRICT IS COMPOSED ENTIRELY OF PORTIONS OF THE ORIGINAL BOUNDARIES OF THE ELECTION DISTRICTS WHICH WERE COMBINED.

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SECTION 909. PETITION MAY CONSIST OF SEVERAL SHEETS; [AFFIDAVIT] STATEMENT OF CIRCULATOR.--SAID NOMINATION PETITION MAY BE ON ONE OR MORE SHEETS, AND DIFFERENT SHEETS MUST BE USED FOR SIGNERS RESIDENT IN DIFFERENT COUNTIES. IF MORE THAN ONE SHEET IS USED, THEY SHALL BE BOUND TOGETHER WHEN OFFERED FOR FILING IF THEY ARE INTENDED TO CONSTITUTE ONE PETITION, AND EACH SHEET SHALL BE NUMBERED CONSECUTIVELY BEGINNING WITH NUMBER ONE, AT THE FOOT OF EACH PAGE. IN CASES OF PETITIONS FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, EACH SHEET SHALL CONTAIN A NOTATION INDICATING THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TO WHOM HE IS COMMITTED OR THE TERM "UNCOMMITTED." EACH SHEET SHALL HAVE APPENDED THERETO THE [AFFIDAVIT] STATEMENT OF THE CIRCULATOR OF EACH SHEET, SETTING FORTH, SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES OF 18 PA.C.S. § 4904 (RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES)--(A) THAT HE OR SHE IS A QUALIFIED ELECTOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH, WHO IS DULY REGISTERED AND ENROLLED AS A MEMBER OF 20190SB0421PN1292
THE [DESIGNATED PARTY OF THE STATE, OR OF THE POLITICAL
DISTRICT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, REFERRED TO] PARTY DESIGNATED IN
SAID PETITION, UNLESS SAID PETITION RELATES TO THE NOMINATION OF
A CANDIDATE FOR A COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, FOR THE PHILADELPHIA
MUNICIPAL COURT OR FOR THE TRAFFIC COURT OF PHILADELPHIA OR FOR
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, IN WHICH EVENT THE CIRCULATOR NEED NOT BE
A DULY REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBER OF THE DESIGNATED PARTY;
(B) HIS RESIDENCE, GIVING CITY, BOROUGH OR TOWNSHIP, WITH STREET
AND NUMBER, IF ANY; (C) THAT THE SIGNERS THERETO SIGNED WITH
FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONTENTS OF THE PETITION; (D) THAT THEIR
RESPECTIVE RESIDENCES ARE CORRECTLY STATED THEREIN; (E) THAT
THEY ALL RESIDE IN THE COUNTY NAMED IN THE [AFFIDAVIT]
STATEMENT; (F) THAT EACH SIGNED ON THE DATE SET OPPOSITE HIS
NAME; AND (G) THAT, TO THE BEST OF [AFFIANT'S] THE CIRCULATOR'S
KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE SIGNERS ARE QUALIFIED ELECTORS AND
DULY REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF THE DESIGNATED PARTY OF
THE STATE, OR OF THE POLITICAL DISTRICT, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

SECTION 951. NOMINATIONS BY POLITICAL BODIES.--* * *
(D) NOMINATION PAPERS MAY BE ON ONE OR MORE SHEETS AND
DIFFERENT SHEETS MUST BE USED FOR SIGNERS RESIDENT IN DIFFERENT
COUNTRIES. IF MORE THAN ONE SHEET IS USED, THEY SHALL BE BOUND
TOGETHER WHEN OFFERED FOR FILING IF THEY ARE INTENDED TO
CONSTITUTE ONE NOMINATION PAPER, AND EACH SHEET SHALL BE
NUMBERED CONSECUTIVELY, BEGINNING WITH NUMBER ONE (1) AT THE
FOOT OF EACH PAGE. EACH SHEET SHALL HAVE APPENDED THERETO THE
[AFFIDAVIT] STATEMENT OF SOME PERSON, NOT NECESSARILY A SIGNER,
AND NOT NECESSARILY THE SAME PERSON ON EACH SHEET, SETTING
FORTH, SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES OF 18 PA.C.S. § 4904 (RELATING
TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES)--[(1) THAT THE AFFIANT
IS A QUALIFIED ELECTOR OF THE STATE, OR OF THE ELECTORAL

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DISTRICT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, REFERRED TO IN THE NOMINATION PAPER; (2) [HIS] THE PERSON'S RESIDENCE, GIVING CITY, BOROUGH OR TOWNSHIP WITH STREET AND NUMBER, IF ANY; (3) THAT THE SIGNERS SIGNED WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONTENTS OF THE NOMINATION PAPER; (4) THAT THEIR RESPECTIVE RESIDENCES ARE CORRECTLY STATED THEREIN; (5) THAT THEY ALL RESIDE IN THE COUNTY NAMED IN THE [AFFIDAVIT] STATEMENT; (6) THAT EACH SIGNED ON THE DATE SET OPPOSITE HIS NAME; AND (7) THAT, TO THE BEST OF [AFFIANT'S] THE PERSON'S KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE SIGNERS ARE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE STATE, OR OF THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

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SECTION 1002. FORM OF OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT.--(A) AT PRIMARIES SEPARATE OFFICIAL BALLOTS SHALL BE PREPARED FOR EACH PARTY WHICH SHALL BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

OFFICIAL........................................ PRIMARY BALLOT.

(NAME OF PARTY)

.........DISTRICT,.........WARD, CITY OF.........................,
COUNTY OF........................., STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
.........PRIMARY ELECTION HELD ON THE.....DAY OF........., 19...

MAKE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) IN THE SQUARE TO THE RIGHT OF EACH CANDIDATE FOR WHOM YOU WISH TO VOTE. IF YOU DESIRE TO VOTE FOR A PERSON WHOSE NAME IS NOT ON THE BALLOT, WRITE [, PRINT OR PASTE] OR STAMP HIS NAME IN THE BLANK SPACE PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE. MARK BALLOT ONLY IN BLACK LEAD PENCIL, INDELIBLE PENCIL OR BLUE, BLACK OR BLUE-BLACK INK IN FOUNTAIN PEN OR BALL POINT PEN. USE THE SAME PENCIL OR PEN FOR ALL MARKINGS YOU PLACE ON THE BALLOT.

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

(VOTE FOR ONE)

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JOHN DOE
RICHARD ROE
JOHN STILES

UNITED STATES SENATOR.
(VOTE FOR ONE)

JOHN DOE
RICHARD ROE
JOHN STILES

GOVERNOR.
(VOTE FOR ONE)

JOHN DOE
RICHARD ROE
JOHN STILES

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.....DISTRICT.
(VOTE FOR ONE)

JOHN DOE
RICHARD ROE
JOHN STILES

DELEGATES AT LARGE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION.
(VOTE FOR.....)

JOHN DOE

(COMMITTED TO JEREMIAH SMITH)
JOHN STILES

(UNCOMMITTED)

DELEGATE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION.....DISTRICT.
(VOTE FOR.....)

JOHN DOE

(COMMITTED TO JEREMIAH SMITH)
JOHN STILES

(UNCOMMITTED)

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SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.....DISTRICT.  
(VOTE FOR ONE)  
JOHN DOE  
RICHARD ROE  
JOHN STILES  
MEMBER OF STATE COMMITTEE.  
(VOTE FOR ONE)  
JOHN DOE  
RICHARD ROE  
JOHN STILES  
PARTY COMMITTEEEMEN.  
(VOTE FOR.....)  
JOHN DOE  
RICHARD ROE  
JOHN STILES  

(B) ON THE BACK OF EACH BALLOT SHALL BE PRINTED IN PROMINENT TYPE THE WORDS "OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT OF .........PARTY FOR" FOLLOWED BY THE DESIGNATION OF THE ELECTION DISTRICT FOR WHICH IT IS PREPARED, THE DATE OF THE PRIMARY AND THE FACSIMILE SIGNATURES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS. THE NAMES OF CANDIDATES SHALL IN ALL CASES BE ARRANGED UNDER THE TITLE OF THE OFFICE FOR WHICH THEY ARE CANDIDATES, AND BE PRINTED THEREUNDER IN THE ORDER DETERMINED BY THE CASTING OF LOTS AS PROVIDED BY THIS ACT. UNDER THE TITLE OF SUCH OFFICES WHERE MORE THAN ONE CANDIDATE IS TO BE VOTED FOR, SHALL BE PRINTED "VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ........" (THE BLANK SPACE TO INDICATE THE NUMBER OF CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED FOR THE PARTICULAR OFFICE.) AT THE RIGHT OF THE NAME OF EACH CANDIDATE THERE SHALL BE A SQUARE OF SUFFICIENT SIZE FOR THE CONVENIENT INSERTION OF A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK. THERE SHALL BE LEFT AT THE END OF
THE LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR EACH OFFICE (OR UNDER THE TITLE OF
THE OFFICE ITSELF IN CASE THERE BE NO CANDIDATES WHO HAVE FILED
NOMINATION PETITIONS THEREFOR) AS MANY BLANK SPACES AS THERE ARE
PERSONS TO BE VOTED FOR, FOR SUCH OFFICE, IN WHICH SPACE THE
ELECTOR MAY INSERT, BY WRITING OR STAMPING, THE NAME OF ANY
PERSON WHOSE NAME IS NOT PRINTED ON THE BALLOT AS A CANDIDATE
FOR SUCH OFFICE. OPPOSITE OR UNDER THE NAME OF EACH CANDIDATE,
EXCEPT CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
STATES AND CANDIDATES FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO A
NATIONAL PARTY CONVENTION, WHO IS TO BE VOTED FOR BY THE
ELECTORS OF MORE THAN ONE COUNTY, SHALL BE PRINTED THE NAME OF
THE COUNTY IN WHICH SUCH CANDIDATE RESIDES; AND OPPOSITE OR
UNDER THE NAME OF EACH CANDIDATE EXCEPT CANDIDATES FOR DELEGATE
OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO A NATIONAL PARTY CONVENTION WHO IS TO
BE VOTED FOR BY THE ELECTORS OF AN ENTIRE COUNTY OR ANY
CONGRESSIONAL, SENATORIAL OR REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT WITHIN THE
COUNTY, SHALL BE PRINTED THE NAME OF THE CITY,BOROUGH, TOWNSHIP
OR WARD, AS THE CASE MAY BE, IN WHICH SUCH CANDIDATE RESIDES.

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SECTION 1003. FORM OF OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT.--

(A) THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS FOR GENERAL, MUNICIPAL AND SPECIAL
ELECTIONS SHALL BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

OFFICIAL BALLOT

DISTRICT, WARD,

CITY OF , COUNTY OF , STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

ELECTION HELD ON THE DAY OF , [19]

A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK IN THE SQUARE OPPOSITE THE NAME OF
ANY CANDIDATE INDICATES A VOTE FOR THAT CANDIDATE.
[TO VOTE A STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET, MARK A CROSS (X) OR CHECK

( ) IN THE SQUARE, IN THE PARTY COLUMN, OPPOSITE THE NAME OF THE

PARTY OF YOUR CHOICE. TO VOTE FOR AN INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATE OF

ANOTHER PARTY AFTER MAKING A MARK IN THE PARTY SQUARE, MARK A

CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) OPPOSITE HIS NAME. FOR AN OFFICE WHERE

MORE THAN ONE CANDIDATE IS TO BE VOTED FOR, THE VOTER, AFTER

MARKING IN THE PARTY SQUARE, MAY DIVIDE HIS VOTE BY MARKING A

CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) TO THE RIGHT OF EACH CANDIDATE FOR WHOM

HE OR SHE DESIRES TO VOTE. FOR SUCH OFFICE VOTES SHALL NOT BE

COUNTED FOR CANDIDATES NOT INDIVIDUALLY MARKED.]

TO VOTE FOR A PERSON WHOSE NAME IS NOT ON THE BALLOT, WRITE[

PRINT OR PASTE] OR STAMP HIS NAME IN THE BLANK SPACE PROVIDED

FOR THAT PURPOSE. A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK IN THE SQUARE

OPPOSITE THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES OF ANY PARTY FOR PRESIDENT

AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES INDICATES A VOTE FOR ALL

THE CANDIDATES OF THAT PARTY FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR. TO VOTE

FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR, WRITE[

PRINT OR PASTE] OR STAMP THEIR NAMES IN THE BLANK SPACES

PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE UNDER THE TITLE "PRESIDENTIAL

ELECTORS." MARK BALLOT ONLY IN BLACK LEAD PENCIL, INDELIBLE

PENCIL OR BLUE, BLACK OR BLUE-BLACK INK, IN FOUNTAIN PEN OR BALL

POINT PEN; USE THE SAME PENCIL OR PEN FOR ALL MARKINGS YOU PLACE

ON THE BALLOT.

BEFORE LEAVING THE VOTING COMPARTMENT, FOLD THIS BALLOT,

WITHOUT DISPLAYING THE MARKINGS THEREON, IN THE SAME WAY IT WAS

FOLDED WHEN RECEIVED, THEN LEAVE THE COMPARTMENT AND EXHIBIT THE

BALLOT TO ONE OF THE ELECTION OFFICERS WHO SHALL ASCERTAIN BY AN

INSPECTION OF THE NUMBER APPEARING UPON THE RIGHT HAND CORNER OF

THE BACK OF THE BALLOT WHETHER THE BALLOT SO EXHIBITED TO HIM IS

THE SAME BALLOT WHICH THE ELECTOR RECEIVED BEFORE ENTERING THE
VOTING COMPARTMENT. IF IT IS THE SAME, THE ELECTION OFFICER SHALL DIRECT THE ELECTOR, WITHOUT UNFOLDING THE BALLOT, TO REMOVE THE PERFORATED CORNER CONTAINING THE NUMBER, AND THE ELECTOR SHALL IMMEDIATELY DEPOSIT THE BALLOT IN THE BALLOT BOX. ANY BALLOT DEPOSITED IN A BALLOT BOX AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION WITHOUT HAVING THE SAID NUMBER TORN OFF SHALL BE VOID AND SHALL NOT BE COUNTED.

PARTY COLUMN

TO VOTE A STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET (VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATES OF
MARK A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) IN ONE PARTY FOR PRESIDENT AND
THIS COLUMN. VICE-PRESIDENT, OR INSERT THE

DEMOCRATIC NAMES OF CANDIDATES.)

FOR

JOHN STILES

AND

RICHARD DOE,

DEMOCRATIC

FOR

JOHN DOE

REPUBLICAN

AND

RICHARD ROE,

REPUBLICAN

FOR

JOHN SMITH

SOCIALIST

AND

WILLIAM JONES,

SOCIALIST

CITIZENS]

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.

(VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATES OF ONE PARTY FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE
PRESIDENT, OR INSERT THE NAMES OF CANDIDATES

FOR

JOHN STILES AND RICHARD DOE............................. DEMOCRATIC

FOR

JOHN DOE AND RICHARD ROE............................... REPUBLICAN

FOR

JOHN SMITH AND WILLIAM JONES........................... SOCIALIST

FOR

......................................................... CITIZENS

UNITED STATES SENATOR.

(VOTE FOR ONE)

RICHARD ROE ............................................. DEMOCRATIC

JOHN DOE .................................................. REPUBLICAN

RICHARD STILES ........................................... SOCIALIST

GOVERNOR.

(VOTE FOR ONE)

RICHARD ROE ............................................. DEMOCRATIC

JOHN DOE .................................................. REPUBLICAN

RICHARD STILES ........................................... SOCIALIST

REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS,

....... DISTRICT.

(VOTE FOR ONE)

RICHARD ROE ............................................. DEMOCRATIC

JOHN DOE .................................................. REPUBLICAN

RICHARD STILES ........................................... SOCIALIST

SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

....... DISTRICT.

(VOTE FOR ONE)

JOHN DOE .................................................. DEMOCRATIC

RICHARD ROE ............................................. REPUBLICAN
(E) THERE SHALL BE LEFT AT THE END OF THE GROUP OF CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE TITLE "PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS," AS MANY BLANK SPACES AS THERE ARE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS TO BE ELECTED, IN WHICH SPACES THE ELECTOR MAY INSERT, BY WRITING OR STAMPING, THE NAMES OF ANY INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR WHOM HE DESIRES TO VOTE. THERE SHALL ALSO BE LEFT AT THE END OF EACH GROUP OF CANDIDATES FOR EACH OTHER OFFICE (OR UNDER THE TITLE OF THE OFFICE ITSELF IN CASE NO CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN NOMINATED THEREFOR), AS MANY BLANK SPACES AS THERE ARE PERSONS TO BE VOTED FOR FOR SUCH OFFICE, IN WHICH SPACE THE ELECTOR MAY INSERT THE NAME OF ANY PERSON OR PERSONS WHOSE NAME IS NOT PRINTED ON THE BALLOT AS A CANDIDATE FOR SUCH OFFICE.

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SECTION 1007. NUMBER OF BALLOTS TO BE PRINTED; SPECIMEN BALLOTS.--(A) THE COUNTY BOARD OF EACH COUNTY SHALL PROVIDE FOR EACH ELECTION DISTRICT [IN WHICH A PRIMARY IS TO BE HELD, ONE BOOK OF FIFTY OFFICIAL BALLOTS OF EACH PARTY FOR EVERY FORTY-FIVE REGISTERED AND ENROLLED ELECTORS OF SUCH PARTY AND FRACTION THEREOF, APPEARING UPON THE DISTRICT REGISTER, AND SHALL PROVIDE FOR EACH ELECTION DISTRICT IN WHICH AN ELECTION IS TO BE HELD ONE BOOK OF FIFTY OFFICIAL BALLOTS FOR EVERY FORTY-FIVE REGISTERED ELECTORS AND FRACTION THEREOF APPEARING UPON THE DISTRICT REGISTER. THEY] A SUPPLY OF OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOTS FOR:

(1) THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS IN WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ARE NOT NOMINATED IN AN AMOUNT OF AT LEAST TEN PER CENTUM GREATER THAN THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST IN THE ELECTION.
DISTRICT IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUS THREE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS AT WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WERE NOT NOMINATED;

(2) THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS IN WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ARE NOMINATED IN AN AMOUNT OF AT LEAST FIFTEEN PER CENTUM GREATER THAN THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUS THREE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS AT WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WERE NOMINATED;

(3) THE MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION HELD IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS IN AN AMOUNT OF AT LEAST TEN PER CENTUM GREATER THAN THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUS THREE MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT;

(4) THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS IN WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ARE NOT ELECTED IN AN AMOUNT OF AT LEAST TEN PER CENTUM GREATER THAN THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUS THREE GENERAL ELECTIONS AT WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WERE NOT ELECTED;

(5) THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD IN EVEN-NUMBERED YEARS IN WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ARE ELECTED IN AN AMOUNT OF AT LEAST FIFTEEN PER CENTUM GREATER THAN THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST IN THE ELECTION DISTRICTS IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUS THREE GENERAL ELECTIONS AT WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES WERE ELECTED; AND

(6) THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD IN ODD-NUMBERED YEARS IN AN AMOUNT OF AT LEAST TEN PER CENTUM GREATER THAN THE HIGHEST
NUMBER OF BALLOTS CAST IN ANY OF THE PREVIOUS THREE MUNICIPAL
ELECTIONS IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT.

(B) THE COUNTY BOARD OF EACH COUNTY SHALL ALSO, IN ADDITION
TO THE NUMBER OF BALLOTS REQUIRED TO BE PRINTED FOR GENERAL
 DISTRIBUTION, MAINTAIN A SUFFICIENT SUPPLY OF SUCH BALLOTS AT
THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD FOR THE USE OF ABSENTEE ELECTORS
OR MAIL-IN ELECTORS AND FOR THE USE OF ANY DISTRICT, THE BALLOTS
FOR WHICH MAY BE LOST, DESTROYED OR STOLEN. THEY SHALL ALSO
CAUSE TO BE PRINTED ON TINTED PAPER, AND WITHOUT THE FACSIMILE
ENDORSEMENTS, PERMANENT BINDING OR STUBS, COPIES OF THE FORM OF
BALLOTS PROVIDED FOR EACH POLLING PLACE AT EACH PRIMARY OR
ELECTION THEREIN, WHICH SHALL BE CALLED SPECIMEN BALLOTS, AND
WHICH SHALL BE OF THE SAME SIZE AND FORM AS THE OFFICIAL
BALLOTS, AND AT EACH ELECTION THEY SHALL DELIVER TO THE ELECTION
OFFICERS, IN ADDITION TO THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS TO BE USED AT SUCH
ELECTION, A SUITABLE SUPPLY OF SPECIMEN BALLOTS FOR THE USE OF
THE ELECTORS. AT EACH PRIMARY, A SUITABLE SUPPLY OF SPECIMEN
BALLOTS OF EACH PARTY SHALL BE FURNISHED.

SECTION 1107. REQUIREMENTS OF VOTING MACHINES.--NO VOTING
MACHINE SHALL, UPON ANY EXAMINATION OR REEXAMINATION, BE
APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, OR BY ANY
EXAMINER APPOINTED BY HIM, UNLESS IT SHALL, AT THE TIME, SATISFY
THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

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[(B) IT SHALL PERMIT EACH VOTER, AT OTHER THAN PRIMARY
ELECTIONS, TO VOTE A STRAIGHT POLITICAL PARTY TICKET IN ONE
OPERATION, AND, IN ONE OPERATION, TO VOTE FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES
OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS, AND, IN ONE
OPERATION, TO VOTE FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY
FOR EVERY OFFICE TO BE VOTED FOR, EXCEPT THOSE OFFICES AS TO
WHICH HE VOTES FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES.

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SECTION 1110. FORM OF BALLOT LABELS ON VOTING MACHINES.--

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(H) THE NAMES OF ALL CANDIDATES OF A POLITICAL PARTY SHALL
APPEAR IN THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN, AND EXCEPT IN CASES OF NAMES
OF PRESIDENTIAL COMMITMENTS OF NOMINEES FOR DELEGATE OR
ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO POLITICAL PARTY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS NO
OTHER NAMES SHALL APPEAR IN THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN, TO THE LEFT
OR TOP OF WHICH SHALL BE A STRAIGHT PARTY LEVER, BY MEANS OF
WHICH AN ELECTOR MAY, IN ONE OPERATION, VOTE FOR ALL THE
CANDIDATES OF THAT POLITICAL PARTY FOR EVERY OFFICE TO BE VOTED
FOR]. WHERE THE NAMES OF THE DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE AND
THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE HE IS SUPPORTING SHALL BOTH APPEAR,
THE PRINT SIZE OF THE NAME OF THE DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE
SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE SIZE OF THE NAME OF THE PARTICULAR
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TO WHOM HE IS COMMITTED, OR IN THE CASE
WHERE HE IS UNCOMMITTED, THE WORD "UNCOMMITTED" SHALL APPEAR IN
THE SAME SIZE PRINT. THE NAMES OF SUCH CANDIDATES SHALL BE
ARRANGED UNDER OR OPPOSITE THE TITLE OF THE OFFICE FOR WHICH
THEY ARE CANDIDATES, AND SHALL APPEAR IN THE ORDER OF THE VOTES
OBTAINED BY THE CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF THE PARTY NOMINATED AT
THE LAST GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION, BEGINNING WITH THE PARTY
OBTAINING THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT
IN THE CASE OF PARTIES OR BODIES NOT REPRESENTED ON THE BALLOT
AT THE LAST GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION, THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES
OF SUCH PARTIES SHALL BE ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY, ACCORDING TO
THE PARTY OR BODY NAME. THE NAMES OF ALL CANDIDATES OF A
POLITICAL BODY SHALL APPEAR IN THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN, AND, IF
THE NUMBER OF PARTIES AND BODIES PERMITS, EACH POLITICAL BODY
SHALL BE ENTITLED EXCLUSIVELY TO A SEPARATE ROW OR COLUMN[, WITH A STRAIGHT PARTY LEVER]. IF, HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND POLITICAL BODIES RENDERS IT IMPOSSIBLE OR IMPRACTICABLE TO SO ARRANGE THE POLITICAL BODIES, IN SUCH CASE SAID BODIES SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO A SEPARATE ROW OR COLUMN [AND A STRAIGHT PARTY LEVER], BUT SHALL BE LISTED BY POLITICAL APPELLATIONS ON THE FIRST LEFT HAND OR TOP ROW, WITH THE DESIGNATING LETTER AND NUMBER OF THE BALLOT LABEL WHERE THEIR CANDIDATES MAY BE FOUND, TOGETHER WITH THE POLITICAL APPELLATIONS OF OTHER POLITICAL BODIES, WHOSE CANDIDATES MAY BE INTERSPERSED ON THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN. SUBJECT TO THE AFORESAID LIMITATIONS, THE FORM AND ARRANGEMENT OF BALLOT LABELS, AS TO THE PLACING THEREON OF POLITICAL BODIES, SHALL BE WITHIN THE DISCRETION OF THE COUNTY BOARD.

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SECTION 1107-A. REQUIREMENTS OF ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS.-- NO ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM SHALL, UPON ANY EXAMINATION OR REEXAMINATION, BE APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, OR BY ANY EXAMINER APPOINTED BY HIM, UNLESS IT SHALL BE ESTABLISHED THAT SUCH SYSTEM, AT THE TIME OF SUCH EXAMINATION OR REEXAMINATION:

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[(3) PERMITS EACH VOTER, AT OTHER THAN PRIMARY ELECTIONS, TO VOTE A STRAIGHT POLITICAL PARTY TICKET BY ONE MARK OR ACT AND, BY ONE MARK OR ACT, TO VOTE FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS AND, BY ONE MARK OR ACT, TO VOTE FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY FOR EVERY OFFICE TO BE VOTED FOR, AND EVERY SUCH MARK OR ACT SHALL BE EQUIVALENT TO AND SHALL BE COUNTED AS A VOTE FOR EVERY CANDIDATE OF THE POLITICAL PARTY SO MARKED INCLUDING ITS]
CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO THOSE OFFICES AS TO WHICH THE VOTER HAS REGISTERED A VOTE FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES OF THE SAME OR ANOTHER POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, IN WHICH CASE THE AUTOMATIC TABULATING EQUIPMENT SHALL CREDIT THE VOTE FOR THAT OFFICE ONLY FOR THE CANDIDATE INDIVIDUALLY SO SELECTED, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT THE VOTER MAY NOT HAVE INDIVIDUALLY VOTED FOR THE FULL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES FOR THAT OFFICE FOR WHICH HE WAS ENTITLED TO VOTE.]

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SECTION 1109-A. FORMS.--(A) * * *

(2) THE PAGES PLACED ON THE VOTING DEVICE SHALL BE OF SUFFICIENT NUMBER TO INCLUDE, FOLLOWING THE LISTING OF PARTICULAR CANDIDATES, THE NAMES OF CANDIDATES FOR ANY NONPARTISAN OFFICES AND ANY MEASURES FOR WHICH A VOTER MAY BE QUALIFIED TO VOTE ON A GIVEN ELECTION DAY, PROVIDED FURTHER THAT FOR MUNICIPAL, GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTIONS, THE FIRST BALLOT PAGE SHALL LIST IN THE ORDER THAT SUCH POLITICAL PARTIES ARE ENTITLED TO PRIORITY ON THE BALLOT, THE NAMES OF SUCH POLITICAL PARTIES [WITH DESIGNATING ARROWS SO AS TO INDICATE THE VOTING SQUARE OR POSITION ON THE BALLOT CARD WHERE THE VOTER MAY INSERT BY ONE MARK OR PUNCH THE STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET OF HIS CHOICE].

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[(D) IN PARTISAN ELECTIONS THE BALLOT CARDS SHALL INCLUDE A VOTING SQUARE OR POSITION WHEREBY THE VOTER MAY BY ONE PUNCH OR MARK RECORD A STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET VOTE FOR ALL THE CANDIDATES OF ONE PARTY OR MAY VOTE A SPLIT TICKET FOR THE CANDIDATES OF HIS CHOICE.]

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SECTION 1112-A. ELECTION DAY PROCEDURES AND THE PROCESS OF VOTING.--(A) IN AN ELECTION DISTRICT WHICH USES AN ELECTRONIC
VOTING SYSTEM IN WHICH VOTES ARE REGISTERED ELECTRONICALLY, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL BE APPLICABLE FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION AT THE ELECTION DISTRICT:

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(2) AT PRIMARY ELECTIONS, THE VOTER SHALL BE ABLE TO VOTE FOR EACH CANDIDATE INDIVIDUALLY BY THE MEANS PROVIDED. AT ALL OTHER ELECTIONS, HE MAY VOTE FOR EACH CANDIDATE INDIVIDUALLY, OR HE MAY VOTE A STRAIGHT POLITICAL PARTY TICKET IN ONE OPERATION BY OPERATING THE STRAIGHT POLITICAL PARTY MECHANISM OF THE POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY OF HIS CHOICE. HE MAY ALSO, AFTER HAVING OPERATED THE STRAIGHT PARTY MECHANISM AND BEFORE RECORDING HIS VOTE, CANCEL THE VOTE FOR ANY CANDIDATE OF SUCH POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY AND MAY THEREUPON VOTE FOR A CANDIDATE OF ANOTHER PARTY, OR POLITICAL BODY FOR THE SAME OFFICE.] THE VOTER MAY ALSO VOTE INDIVIDUALLY FOR OR AGAINST A QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE VOTE OF THE ELECTORS.

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(4) AT ANY GENERAL ELECTION AT WHICH PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS ARE TO BE CHOSEN, EACH ELECTOR SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE BY ONE OPERATION FOR ALL THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS OF A POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY. FOR EACH PARTY OR BODY NOMINATING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS, A BALLOT LABEL SHALL BE PROVIDED CONTAINING ONLY THE WORDS "PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS," PRECEDED BY THE NAMES OF THE PARTY OR BODY AND FOLLOWED BY THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES THEREOF FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT, AND THE CORRESPONDING COUNTER OR REGISTERING DEVICE SHALL REGISTER VOTES CAST FOR SAID ELECTORS WHEN THUS VOTED FOR COLLECTIVELY. IF ANY ELECTOR DESIRES TO VOTE A TICKET FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS MADE UP OF THE NAMES OF PERSONS NOMINATED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES OR BODIES, OR PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS
SO IN NOMINATION AND PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS NOT IN
NOMINATION BY ANY PARTY OR BODY, HE MAY WRITE OR DEPOSIT A PAPER
BALLOT PREPARED BY HIMSELF IN THE RECEPTACLE PROVIDED IN OR ON
THE VOTING DEVICE FOR THAT PURPOSE, OR HE MAY LIST THEIR NAMES
ON THE WRITE-IN BALLOT OR ENVELOPE PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
THE VOTING DEVICE SHALL BE SO CONSTRUCTED THAT IT WILL NOT BE
POSSIBLE FOR ANY ONE VOTER TO VOTE A STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET FOR
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS AND AT THE SAME TIME TO DEPOSIT A BALLOT
FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS IN A RECEPTACLE AS [HEREINABOVE]
PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION. WHEN THE VOTES FOR PRESIDENTIAL
ELECTORS ARE COUNTED, THE VOTES APPEARING UPON THE COUNTER OR
REGISTERING DEVICE CORRESPONDING TO THE BALLOT LABEL CONTAINING
THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF
ANY PARTY OR BODY SHALL BE COUNTED AS VOTES FOR EACH OF THE
CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR OF SUCH PARTY OR BODY, AND
THEREUPON ALL CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR SHALL BE
CREDITED, IN ADDITION, WITH THE VOTES CAST FOR THEM UPON THE
BALLOTS DEPOSITED IN THE MACHINE, AS [HEREINABOVE] PROVIDED IN
THIS SECTION.

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(B) IN AN ELECTION DISTRICT WHICH USES AN ELECTRONIC VOTING
SYSTEM WHICH UTILIZES PAPER BALLOTS OR BALLOT CARDS TO REGISTER
THE VOTES, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL BE APPLICABLE FOR THE
CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION AT THE ELECTION DISTRICT:

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(4) IF THE VOTER DESIRES TO VOTE FOR EVERY CANDIDATE OF A
POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, EXCEPT ITS CANDIDATES FOR
OFFICES AS TO WHICH HE VOTES FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES IN THE
MANNER HEREINAFTER PROVIDED, HE MAY MAKE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK
( ) OR PUNCH OR MARK SENSE MARK IN THE SQUARE OPPOSITE THE NAME
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OF THE PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY SO MARKED, INCLUDING ITS CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS, EXCEPT FOR THOSE OFFICES AS TO WHICH HE HAS INDICATED A CHOICE FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES OF THE SAME OR ANOTHER PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, BY MAKING A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) OR PUNCH OR MARK SENSE MARK OPPOSITE THEIR NAMES IN THE MANNER HEREINABOVE PROVIDED, AS TO WHICH OFFICES HIS BALLOT SHALL BE COUNTED ONLY FOR THE CANDIDATES WHICH HE HAS THUS INDIVIDUALLY MARKED, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT HE MADE A MARK IN THE PARTY COLUMN, AND EVEN THOUGH IN THE CASE OF AN OFFICE FOR WHICH MORE THAN ONE CANDIDATE IS TO BE VOTED FOR, HE HAS NOT INDIVIDUALLY MARKED FOR SUCH OFFICE THE FULL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES FOR WHICH HE IS ENTITLED TO VOTE. IF HE DESIRES TO VOTE FOR THE ENTIRE GROUP OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS NOMINATED BY ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, HE MAY MAKE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) OR PUNCH OR MARK SENSE MARK IN THE APPROPRIATE SPACE OPPOSITE THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF SUCH PARTY OR BODY. IF HE DESIRES TO VOTE A TICKET FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS MADE UP OF THE NAMES OF PERSONS NOMINATED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES OR POLITICAL BODIES, OR PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS SO IN NOMINATION AND PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS NOT IN NOMINATION BY ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, OR WHOLLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS NOT IN NOMINATION BY ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, HE SHALL INSERT, BY WRITING OR STAMPING, THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR WHOM HE DESIRES TO VOTE IN THE BLANK SPACES PROVIDED THEREFOR ON THE WRITE-IN BALLOT UNDER THE TITLE OF THE OFFICE "PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS". IN CASE OF A QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE VOTE OF THE ELECTORS, HE MAY MAKE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) OR PUNCH OR MARK SENSE MARK IN THE APPROPRIATE SQUARE OPPOSITE THE ANSWER WHICH HE DESIRES TO GIVE.
SECTION 1113-A. POST ELECTION PROCEDURES.--* * *

(D) IN RETURNING ANY VOTES CAST FOR ANY PERSON WHOSE NAME IS NOT PRINTED ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOT, THE ELECTION OFFICERS SHALL RECORD ANY SUCH NAMES EXACTLY AS THEY WERE WRITTEN[, STAMPED OR APPLIED TO THE BALLOT BY STICKER] OR STAMPED.

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SECTION 1210. MANNER OF APPLYING TO VOTE; PERSONS ENTITLED TO VOTE; VOTER'S CERTIFICATES; ENTRIES TO BE MADE IN DISTRICT REGISTER; NUMBERED LISTS OF VOTERS; CHALLENGES.--* * *

(A.4) (1) AT ALL ELECTIONS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO CLAIMS TO BE PROPERLY REGISTERED AND ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE ELECTION DISTRICT BUT WHOSE NAME DOES NOT APPEAR ON THE DISTRICT REGISTER AND WHOSE REGISTRATION CANNOT BE DETERMINED BY THE INSPECTORS OF ELECTION OR THE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD SHALL BE PERMITTED TO CAST A PROVISIONAL BALLOT. INDIVIDUALS WHO APPEAR TO VOTE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (A) AND IF UNABLE TO DO SO SHALL BE PERMITTED TO CAST A PROVISIONAL BALLOT. AN INDIVIDUAL PRESENTING A JUDICIAL ORDER TO VOTE SHALL BE PERMITTED TO CAST A PROVISIONAL BALLOT. AN ELECTOR WHO APPEARS TO VOTE ON ELECTION DAY HAVING REQUESTED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT AND WHO IS NOT SHOWN ON THE DISTRICT REGISTER AS HAVING VOTED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT SHALL BE PERMITTED TO CAST A PROVISIONAL BALLOT.

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(II) A PROVISIONAL BALLOT SHALL NOT BE COUNTED IF:

(A) EITHER THE PROVISIONAL BALLOT ENVELOPE UNDER CLAUSE (3) OR THE AFFIDAVIT UNDER CLAUSE (2) IS NOT SIGNED BY THE INDIVIDUAL;
(B) The signature required under clause (3) and the signature required under clause (2) are either not genuine or are not executed by the same individual;

(C) A provisional ballot envelope does not contain a secrecy envelope;

(D) In the case of a provisional ballot that was cast under subsection (a.2)(1)(i), within six calendar days following the election the elector fails to appear before the county board of elections to execute an affirmation or the county board of elections does not receive an electronic, facsimile or paper copy of an affirmation affirming, under penalty of perjury, that the elector is the same individual who personally appeared before the district election board on the day of the election and cast a provisional ballot and that the elector is indigent and unable to obtain proof of identification without the payment of a fee; or

(E) In the case of a provisional ballot that was cast under subsection (a.2)(1)(ii), within six calendar days following the election, the elector fails to appear before the county board of elections to present proof of identification and execute an affirmation or the county board of elections does not receive an electronic, facsimile or paper copy of the proof of identification and an affirmation affirming, under penalty of perjury, that the elector is the same individual who personally appeared before the district election board on the day of the election and cast a provisional ballot.

(F) The elector's absentee ballot or mail-in ballot is timely received by a county board of elections.

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Section 1215. Method of marking ballots and depositing same
IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED.—* * *

(B) AT PRIMARIES, THE ELECTOR SHALL PREPARE HIS BALLOT IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: HE SHALL VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATES OF HIS CHOICE FOR NOMINATION OR ELECTION, ACCORDING TO THE NUMBER OF PERSONS TO BE VOTED FOR BY HIM, FOR EACH OFFICE, BY MAKING A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK IN THE SQUARE OPPOSITE THE NAME OF THE CANDIDATE, OR HE MAY INSERT BY WRITING [ ] OR STAMPING [ OR STICKER, ] IN THE BLANK SPACE PROVIDED THEREFOR, ANY NAME NOT ALREADY PRINTED ON THE BALLOT, AND SUCH INSERTION SHALL COUNT AS A VOTE WITHOUT THE MAKING OF A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK. IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH PAPER BALLOTS OR BALLOT CARDS ARE ELECTRONICALLY TABULATED, STICKERS OR LABELS MAY NOT BE USED TO MARK BALLOTS.

(C) AT ELECTIONS, THE ELECTOR SHALL PREPARE HIS BALLOT IN THE FOLLOWING MANNER: HE MAY VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATES OF HIS CHOICE FOR EACH OFFICE TO BE FILLED ACCORDING TO THE NUMBER OF PERSONS TO BE VOTED FOR BY HIM FOR EACH OFFICE, BY MAKING A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK IN THE SQUARE OPPOSITE THE NAME OF THE CANDIDATE, OR HE MAY INSERT BY WRITING [ ] OR STAMPING [ OR STICKER, ] IN THE BLANK SPACES PROVIDED THEREFOR, ANY NAME NOT ALREADY PRINTED ON THE BALLOT, AND SUCH INSERTION SHALL COUNT AS A VOTE WITHOUT THE MAKING OF A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK. IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH PAPER BALLOTS OR BALLOT CARDS ARE ELECTRONICALLY TABULATED, STICKERS OR LABELS MAY NOT BE USED TO MARK BALLOTS. IF HE DESIRES TO VOTE FOR EVERY CANDIDATE OF A POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, EXCEPT ITS CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES AS TO WHICH HE VOTES FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES IN THE MANNER HEREAFTER PROVIDED, HE MAY MAKE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK IN THE SQUARE OPPOSITE THE NAME OF THE PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY OF HIS CHOICE IN THE PARTY COLUMN ON THE LEFT OF...
THE BALLOT, AND EVERY SUCH CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK SHALL BE EQUIVALENT TO AND BE COUNTED AS A VOTE FOR EVERY CANDIDATE OF A PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY SO MARKED, INCLUDING ITS CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS, EXCEPT FOR THOSE OFFICES AS TO WHICH HE HAS INDICATED A CHOICE FOR INDIVIDUAL CANDIDATES OF THE SAME OR ANOTHER PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, BY MAKING A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK OPPOSITE THEIR NAMES IN THE MANNER HEREINABOVE PROVIDED, AS TO WHICH OFFICES HIS BALLOT SHALL BE COUNTED ONLY FOR THE CANDIDATES WHICH HE HAS THUS INDIVIDUALLY MARKED, NOTWITHSTANDING THE FACT THAT HE MADE A MARK IN THE PARTY COLUMN, AND EVEN THOUGH IN THE CASE OF AN OFFICE FOR WHICH MORE THAN ONE CANDIDATE IS TO BE VOTED FOR, HE HAS NOT INDIVIDUALLY MARKED FOR SUCH OFFICE THE FULL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES FOR WHICH HE IS ENTITLED TO VOTE. IF HE DESIRES TO VOTE FOR THE ENTIRE GROUP OF PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS NOMINATED BY ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, HE MAY MAKE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK IN THE APPROPRIATE SQUARE AT THE RIGHT OF THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF SUCH PARTY OR BODY. IF HE DESIRES TO VOTE A TICKET FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS MADE UP OF THE NAMES OF PERSONS NOMINATED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES OR POLITICAL BODIES, OR PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS SO IN NOMINATION AND PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS NOT IN NOMINATION BY ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, OR WHOLLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS NOT IN NOMINATION BY ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, HE SHALL INSERT, BY WRITING OR STAMPING, THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS FOR WHOM HE DESIRES TO VOTE IN THE BLANK SPACES PROVIDED THEREFOR UNDER THE TITLE OF THE OFFICE "PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS." IN CASE OF A QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE VOTE OF THE ELECTORS, HE MAY MAKE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK IN THE APPROPRIATE SQUARE OPPOSITE THE ANSWER WHICH HE DESIRES TO GIVE.
SECTION 1216. INSTRUCTIONS OF VOTERS AND MANNER OF VOTING IN
DISTRICTS IN WHICH VOTING MACHINES ARE USED.--

(D) AT [PRIMARIES] ALL ELECTIONS, THE ELECTOR SHALL VOTE
FOR EACH CANDIDATE INDIVIDUALLY BY OPERATING THE KEY, HANDLE,
POINTER OR KNOB, UPON OR ADJACENT TO WHICH THE NAME OF SUCH
CANDIDATE IS PLACED. [AT ELECTIONS, HE MAY VOTE FOR EACH
CANDIDATE INDIVIDUALLY BY OPERATING THE KEY, HANDLE, POINTER OR
KNOB, UPON OR ADJACENT TO WHICH THE NAMES OF CANDIDATES OF HIS
CHOICE ARE PLACED, OR HE MAY VOTE A STRAIGHT POLITICAL PARTY
TICKET IN ONE OPERATION BY OPERATING THE STRAIGHT POLITICAL
PARTY LEVER OF THE POLITICAL PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY OF HIS
CHOICE, IF SUCH MACHINE HAS THEREON A SEPARATE LEVER FOR ALL THE
CANDIDATES OF THE POLITICAL BODY. HE MAY ALSO, AFTER HAVING
OPERATED THE STRAIGHT PARTY LEVER, AND BEFORE RECORDING HIS
VOTE, CANCEL THE VOTE FOR ANY CANDIDATE OF SUCH POLITICAL PARTY
OR POLITICAL BODY BY REPLACING THE INDIVIDUAL KEY, HANDLE,
POINTER OR KNOB OF SUCH CANDIDATE, AND MAY THEREUPON VOTE FOR A
CANDIDATE OF ANOTHER PARTY, OR POLITICAL BODY FOR THE SAME
OFFICE BY OPERATING THE KEY, HANDLE, POINTER OR KNOB, UPON OR
ADJACENT TO WHICH THE NAME OF SUCH CANDIDATE APPEARS.] IN THE
CASE OF A QUESTION SUBMITTED TO THE VOTE OF THE ELECTORS, THE
ELECTOR SHALL OPERATE THE KEY, HANDLE, POINTER OR KNOB
CORRESPONDING TO THE ANSWER WHICH HE DESIRES TO GIVE.

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(F) AT ANY GENERAL ELECTION AT WHICH PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS
ARE TO BE CHOSEN, EACH ELECTOR SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE BY ONE
OPERATION FOR ALL THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS OF A POLITICAL PARTY
OR POLITICAL BODY. FOR EACH PARTY OR BODY NOMINATING
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS, A BALLOT LABEL SHALL BE PROVIDED CONTAINING ONLY THE WORDS "PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS," PRECEDED BY THE NAMES OF THE PARTY OR BODY AND FOLLOWED BY THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES THEREOF FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT, AND THE CORRESPONDING COUNTER OR REGISTERING DEVICE SHALL REGISTER VOTES CAST FOR SAID ELECTORS WHEN THUS VOTED FOR COLLECTIVELY. IF AN ELECTOR DESIRES TO VOTE A TICKET FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS MADE UP OF THE NAMES OF PERSONS NOMINATED BY DIFFERENT PARTIES OR BODIES, OR PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS SO IN NOMINATION AND PARTIALLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS NOT IN NOMINATION BY ANY PARTY OR BODY, OR WHOLLY OF NAMES OF PERSONS NOT IN NOMINATION BY ANY PARTY OR BODY, HE MAY WRITE OR DEPOSIT A PAPER BALLOT PREPARED BY HIMSELF IN THE RECEPTACLE PROVIDED IN OR ON THE MACHINE FOR THE PURPOSE. THE MACHINE SHALL BE SO CONSTRUCTED THAT IT WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR ANY ONE VOTER TO VOTE A STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS AND AT THE SAME TIME TO DEPOSIT A BALLOT FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS IN A RECEPTACLE AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION. WHEN THE VOTES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS ARE COUNTED, THE VOTES APPEARING UPON THE COUNTER OR REGISTERING DEVICE CORRESPONDING TO THE BALLOT LABEL CONTAINING THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF ANY PARTY OR BODY SHALL BE COUNTED AS VOTES FOR EACH OF THE CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENT ELECTOR OF SUCH PARTY OR BODY, AND THEREUPON ALL CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR SHALL BE CREDITED, IN ADDITION, WITH THE VOTES CAST FOR THEM UPON THE BALLOTS DEPOSITED IN THE MACHINE, AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

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SECTION 1222. COUNT AND RETURN OF VOTES IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED.—
VOTE IS READ ON THE TRIPlicate TALLY SHEETS UNDER THE HEADING "NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED UPON THE ......................... STRAIGHT PARTY TICKETS." UPON COMPLETING THE NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED BY EACH STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET, THE NUMBER SO TALLIED FOR EACH PARTY SHALL BE ENTERED NUMERICALLY ON THE EXTREME RIGHT HAND MARGIN OF EACH SUCH TALLY PAPER.] ALL BALLOTS, AFTER BEING REMOVED FROM THE BOX, SHALL BE KEPT WITHIN THE UNOBSTRUCTED VIEW OF ALL PERSONS IN THE VOTING ROOM UNTIL REPLACED IN THE BOX. NO PERSON WHILE HANDLING THE BALLOTS SHALL HAVE IN HIS HAND ANY PENCIL, PEN, STAMP OR OTHER MEANS OF MARKING OR SPOILING ANY BALLOT. THE ELECTION OFFICERS SHALL FORTHWITH PROCEED TO CANVASS AND COMPUTE THE VOTES CAST, AND SHALL NOT ADJOURN OR POSTPONE THE CANVASS OR COMPUTATION UNTIL IT SHALL HAVE BEEN FULLY COMPLETED.

BY EACH SET OF CANDIDATES UPON "STRAIGHT PARTY TICKETS" SHALL BE
ENTERED OPPOSITE THE NAMES OF THE RESPECTIVE CANDIDATES IN A
COLUMN IMMEDIATELY ADJOINING UPON THE LEFT WHICH COLUMN SHALL BE
OF CONVENIENT WIDTH AND SHALL BE HEADED "NUMBER OF VOTES
RECEIVED UPON STRAIGHT PARTY TICKETS." IN AN IMMEDIATE COLUMN
TO THE LEFT THEREOF, THE NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED BY EACH
CANDIDATE UPON ALL BALLOTS [OTHER THAN "STRAIGHT PARTY TICKETS"
INCLUDING ALL BALLOTS KNOWN AS "SPLIT TICKETS"] SHALL BE
ENTERED, SUCH COLUMN TO BE OF CONVENIENT WIDTH AND SHALL BE
HEADED "NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED OTHER THAN UPON STRAIGHT
PARTY TICKETS." THE NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED BY EACH CANDIDATE AS
SHOWN IN THE COLUMN HEADED "NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED UPON
STRAIGHT PARTY TICKETS" SHALL THEN BE ADDED, TOGETHER WITH THE
NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED BY EACH CANDIDATE AS SHOWN IN THE
COLUMN HEADED "NUMBER OF VOTES RECEIVED OTHER THAN UPON STRAIGHT
PARTY TICKETS" AND THEREUPON, THE TOTAL NUMBER
OF VOTES RECEIVED BY EACH CANDIDATE SHALL BE ENTERED IN A COLUMN
ON THE EXTREME RIGHT-HAND SIDE OF THE RETURN SHEETS, WHICH
COLUMN SHALL BE OF CONVENIENT WIDTH AND SHALL BE HEADED "TOTAL
NUMBER OF VOTES."

NOTHING IN THIS SECTION CONTAINED SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO
AUTHORIZE OR PERMIT THE CANVASSING, COUNTING OR TALLYING BALLOTS
WITH ANY LESS DEGREE OF STRICTNESS THAN OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY
LAW, THE INTENTION OF THIS SECTION BEING TO DISPENSE WITH THE
INDIVIDUAL TALLY MARKS ONLY SO FAR AS THE SO-CALLED "STRAIGHT
PARTY TICKETS" ARE CONCERNED, AND ALL OTHER OPERATIONS OF
TALLYING, COUNTING, CANVASSING AND ANNOUNCING THE VOTES SHALL
PROCEED AS NEAR AS MAY BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OTHER
PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT.]

(C) IN RETURNING ANY VOTES CAST FOR ANY PERSON WHOSE NAME IS
NOT PRINTED ON THE BALLOT, THE ELECTION OFFICERS SHALL RECORD ANY SUCH NAMES EXACTLY AS THEY WERE WRITTEN [\] OR STAMPED [OR APPLIED TO] UPON THE BALLOT [BY STICKER]. IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH PAPER BALLOTS OR BALLOT CARDS ARE ELECTRONICALLY TABULATED, STICKERS OR LABELS MAY NOT BE USED TO MARK BALLOTS. A VOTE CAST BY MEANS OF A STICKER OR LABEL AFFIXED TO A BALLOT OR BALLOT CARD SHALL BE VOID AND MAY NOT BE COUNTED.

SECTION 1223. WHAT BALLOTS SHALL BE COUNTED; MANNER OF COUNTING; DEFECTIVE BALLOTS.--(A) NO BALLOT WHICH IS SO MARKED AS TO BE CAPABLE OF IDENTIFICATION SHALL BE COUNTED. ANY BALLOT THAT IS MARKED IN BLUE, BLACK OR BLUE-BLACK INK, IN FOUNTAIN PEN OR BALL POINT PEN, OR BLACK LEAD PENCIL OR INDELIBLE PENCIL, SHALL BE VALID AND COUNTED: PROVIDED, THAT ALL MARKINGS ON THE BALLOT ARE MADE BY THE SAME PEN OR PENCIL. ANY BALLOT MARKED BY ANY OTHER MARK THAN AN (X) OR CHECK ( ) IN THE SPACES PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE SHALL BE VOID AND NOT COUNTED: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO VOTE RECORDED THEREON SHALL BE DECLARED VOID BECAUSE A CROSS (X) OR CHECK ( ) MARK THEREON IS IRREGULAR IN FORM. [ANY ERASURE, MUTILATION OR DEFECTIVE MARKING OF THE STRAIGHT PARTY COLUMN AT NOVEMBER ELECTIONS SHALL RENDER THE ENTIRE BALLOT VOID, UNLESS THE VOTER HAS PROPERLY INDICATED HIS CHOICE FOR CANDIDATES IN ANY OFFICE BLOCK, IN WHICH CASE THE VOTE OR VOTES FOR SUCH CANDIDATES ONLY SHALL BE COUNTED.] ANY ERASURE OR MUTILATION IN THE VOTE IN ANY OFFICE BLOCK SHALL RENDER VOID THE VOTE FOR ANY CANDIDATES IN SAID BLOCK, BUT SHALL NOT INVALIDATE THE VOTES CAST ON THE REMAINDER OF THE BALLOT, IF OTHERWISE PROPERLY MARKED. ANY BALLOT INDICATING A VOTE FOR ANY PERSON WHOSE NAME IS NOT PRINTED ON THE BALLOT, BY WRITING [\] STAMPING OR STICKER] OR STAMPING, SHALL BE COUNTED AS A VOTE FOR SUCH PERSON, IF PLACED IN THE PROPER SPACE OR SPACES PROVIDED.
FOR THAT PURPOSE, WHETHER OR NOT AN (X) OR CHECK ( ) IS PLACED
AFTER THE NAME OF SUCH PERSON: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT IF SUCH
WRITING[, STAMPING OR STICKER] OR STAMPING IS PLACED OVER THE
NAME OF A CANDIDATE PRINTED ON THE BALLOT, IT SHALL RENDER THE
ENTIRE VOTE IN SAID OFFICE BLOCK VOID. IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH
PAPER BALLOTS OR BALLOT CARDS ARE ELECTRONICALLY TABULATED,
STICKERS OR LABELS MAY NOT BE USED TO MARK BALLOTS. A VOTE CAST
BY MEANS OF A STICKER OR LABEL AFFIXED TO A BALLOT OR BALLOT
CARD SHALL BE VOID AND MAY NOT BE COUNTED. IF AN ELECTOR SHALL
MARK HIS BALLOT FOR MORE PERSONS FOR ANY OFFICE THAN THERE ARE
CANDIDATES TO BE VOTED FOR SUCH OFFICE, OR IF, FOR ANY
REASON, IT MAY BE IMPOSSIBLE TO DETERMINE HIS CHOICE FOR ANY
OFFICE, HIS BALLOT SHALL NOT BE COUNTED FOR SUCH OFFICE, BUT THE
BALLOT SHALL BE COUNTED FOR ALL OFFICES FOR WHICH IT IS PROPERLY
MARKED. BALLOTS NOT MARKED, OR IMPROPERLY OR DEFECTIVELY MARKED,
SO THAT THE WHOLE BALLOT IS VOID, SHALL BE SET ASIDE AND SHALL
BE PRESERVED WITH THE OTHER BALLOTS.

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SECTION 1227. CANVASS AND RETURN OF VOTES IN DISTRICTS IN
WHICH VOTING MACHINES ARE USED.--* * *

(D) THE ELECTION OFFICERS, ON THE FOREGOING RETURNS, SHALL
RECORD ANY VOTES WHICH HAVE BEEN CAST FOR A PERSON WHOSE NAME IS
NOT PRINTED ON THE BALLOT LABELS, BY MEANS OF AN IRREGULAR
BALLOT, AS DEFINED HEREIN. IN RETURNING ANY SUCH VOTES WHICH
HAVE BEEN WRITTEN[,] OR DEPOSITED [OR AFFIXED] UPON RECEPTACLES
OR DEVICES PROVIDED FOR THE PURPOSE, THE ELECTION OFFICERS SHALL
RECORD ANY SUCH NAMES EXACTLY AS THEY WERE WRITTEN[,] OR
DEPOSITED [OR AFFIXED].

SECTION 4. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING SECTIONS TO READ:

SECTION 1231. DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF VALID VOTER

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REGISTRATION APPLICATION.--(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (B), EACH COMMISSION, COMMISSIONER AND REGISTRAR OR CLERK APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSION SHALL RECEIVE, DURING ORDINARY BUSINESS HOURS AND DURING ADDITIONAL HOURS AS THE COMMISSION PRESCRIBES, AT THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AND AT ADDITIONAL PLACES AS THE COMMISSION DESIGNATES, APPLICATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO APPLY TO BE REGISTERED TO VOTE AS PROVIDED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. PART IV (RELATING TO VOTER REGISTRATION) WHO APPEAR AND CLAIM THAT THEY ARE ENTITLED TO BE REGISTERED AS ELECTORS OF A MUNICIPALITY.

(B) IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF VOTER REGISTRATION, EACH COMMISSION SHALL ENSURE THAT AN APPLICANT WHO IS A QUALIFIED ELECTOR IS REGISTERED TO VOTE IN AN ELECTION WHEN THE APPLICANT HAS MET ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

(1) IN THE CASE OF VOTER REGISTRATION WITH A MOTOR VEHICLE DRIVER'S LICENSE APPLICATION UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 1323 (RELATING TO APPLICATION WITH DRIVER'S LICENSE APPLICATION), IF THE VALID VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION IS RECEIVED BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMISSION NOT LATER THAN FIFTEEN DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION.

(2) (RESERVED).

(3) IN THE CASE OF VOTER REGISTRATION AT A VOTER REGISTRATION AGENCY UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 1325 (RELATING TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES), IF THE VALID VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION IS RECEIVED BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMISSION NOT LATER THAN FIFTEEN DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION.

(4) IN ANY OTHER CASE, IF THE VALID VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION OF THE APPLICANT IS RECEIVED BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMISSION NOT LATER THAN FIFTEEN DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION.

(C) (1) IN THE CASE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION WITHIN A CONGRESSIONAL, SENATORIAL OR REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT HELD ON A
DAY OTHER THAN THE DAY OF A PRIMARY, GENERAL OR MUNICIPAL
ELECTION, THE REGISTRATION APPLICATION FORMS SHALL NOT BE
PROCESSED IN THE WARDS AND ELECTION DISTRICTS COMPRISING THE
DISTRICT FOR THE FIFTEEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR
SUCH ELECTION.

(2) NO APPLICATIONS SHALL BE RECEIVED AS FOLLOWS:
(I) ON SUNDAYS.
(II) ON HOLIDAYS.
(III) ON THE DAY OF THE ELECTION.
(IV) DURING THE FIFTEEN DAYS NEXT PRECEDING EACH GENERAL,
MUNICIPAL AND PRIMARY ELECTION EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER
SUBSECTION (B).

(D) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES
SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SUBSECTION UNLESS
THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:
"COMMISSION" SHALL MEAN A REGISTRATION COMMISSION ESTABLISHED
UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 1203 (RELATING TO COMMISSIONS).
"COMMISSIONER" SHALL MEAN A MEMBER OF A COMMISSION.

SECTION 1232. APPEALS.--(A) AN INDIVIDUAL WHOSE APPLICATION
TO BE REGISTERED HAS BEEN DENIED MAY FILE WITH THE COMMISSION A
PETITION TO BE REGISTERED, SETTING FORTH THE GROUNDS OF THE
PETITION UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION. THE PETITION MUST BE FILED
BY THE EIGHTH DAY PRIOR TO AN ELECTION.

(B) (1) THE COMMISSION SHALL FIX A TIME FOR A PUBLIC
HEARING AT ITS OFFICE NOT LATER THAN THE FIFTH DAY PRIOR TO THE
ELECTION.

(2) THE COMMISSION SHALL GIVE THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
REJECTION FORTY-EIGHT HOURS' NOTICE OF THE HEARING.

(3) AT THE HEARING, A CLERK, INSPECTOR OF REGISTRATION OR
QUALIFIED ELECTOR OF THE COUNTY MAY OFFER EVIDENCE AS TO WHY THE
PETITIONER SHOULD NOT BE REGISTERED.

(4) THE COMMISSION, IF SATISFIED THAT THE PETITIONER IS
ENTITLED TO BE REGISTERED, SHALL DIRECT REGISTRATION.

(C) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES
SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SUBSECTION UNLESS
THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

"COMMISSION" SHALL MEAN A REGISTRATION COMMISSION ESTABLISHED
UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 1203 (RELATING TO COMMISSIONS).

SECTION 1233. APPEALS TO COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.--(A) AN
APPLICANT WHOSE CLAIM FOR REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 1231 AND 25
PA.C.S. PART IV (RELATING TO VOTER REGISTRATION) HAS BEEN DENIED
SHALL HAVE STANDING TO APPEAL AN ACTION OF A COMMISSION TO THE
APPROPRIATE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

(B) AN APPEAL UNDER SUBSECTION (A) MUST BE MADE BY THE THIRD
DAY PRECEDING AN ELECTION.

(C) THE APPEAL MUST REQUEST RELIEF AND SPECIFY THE GROUNDS
FOR RELIEF.

(D) UPON TIMELY RECEIPT OF AN APPEAL UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
COURT SHALL CONDUCT A HEARING.

(E) IF THE COURT FINDS THAT AN INJUSTICE HAS BEEN DONE, THE
COURT SHALL REVERSE OR MODIFY THE RULING OF THE COMMISSION AND
ISSUE APPROPRIATE INJUNCTIVE RELIEF.

(F) THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2), THE COURT MAY AWARD
COSTS FOR THE APPEAL TO THE PREVAILING PARTY.

(2) COSTS MAY NOT BE ASSESSED AGAINST A COMMISSION OR A
COUNTY.

(G) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "COMMISSION" SHALL MEAN A
REGISTRATION COMMISSION ESTABLISHED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 1203
(RELATING TO COMMISSIONS).
SECTION 5.  SECTION 1302(C), (D), (E.1) AND (I) OF THE ACT ARE AMENDED AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:

SECTION 1302.  APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS.--*

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(C)  [THE APPLICATION OF ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1301(A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G) AND (H), FOR AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT IN ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION MAY NOT BE MADE OVER THE SIGNATURE OF ANY PERSON, OTHER THAN THE QUALIFIED ELECTOR OR AN ADULT MEMBER OF HIS IMMEDIATE FAMILY, AS REQUIRED IN THE PRECEDING SUBSECTION.]  A QUALIFIED ABSENTEE MILITARY OR OVERSEAS ELECTOR, AS DEFINED BY THE UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS ABSENTEE VOTING ACT (PUBLIC LAW 99-410, 100 STAT. 924), MAY SUBMIT HIS APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT BY FACSIMILE METHOD IF THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION IS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE ELECTION BY THE COUNTY ELECTION OFFICE. THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OF THE QUALIFIED MILITARY OR OVERSEAS ELECTOR SHALL NOT BE COUNTED UNLESS THE ELECTOR'S ORIGINAL APPLICATION IS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE ELECTION BY THE COUNTY ELECTION OFFICE. THE FACSIMILE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION METHOD. THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION METHOD SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTABLE FOR THE OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, "ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION METHOD" MEANS ANY TECHNOLOGY THAT CAN TRANSMIT A DOCUMENT OR AN IMAGE OF A DOCUMENT VIA ELECTRONIC OR ELECTROMECHANICAL MEANS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FACSIMILE METHOD. AN ELECTOR ENTITLED TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER A METHOD AUTHORIZED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. CH. 35 (RELATING TO UNIFORM MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS) MAY SUBMIT AN APPLICATION USING A METHOD AUTHORIZED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. CH. 35, IN ADDITION TO THE METHODS AUTHORIZED...
IN THIS ARTICLE.

(D) THE APPLICATION OF ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR, AS DEFINED IN PRECEDING SECTION 1301, SUBSECTIONS [(B)] (A) TO (H), INCLUSIVE, FOR AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT IN ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION SHALL BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT[], EXCEPT THAT FOR ELECTORS UNDER SECTION 1301(A), AN ADULT MEMBER OF THE APPLICANT'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY MAY SIGN THE APPLICATION ON THE ELECTOR'S BEHALF.

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(E.1) ANY QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTOR[], INCLUDING ANY QUALIFIED BEDRIDDEN OR HOSPITALIZED VETERAN,] WHO IS UNABLE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY TO ATTEND HIS POLLING PLACE ON THE DAY OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION OR OPERATE A VOTING MACHINE AND STATE DISTINCTLY AND AUDIBLY THAT HE IS UNABLE TO DO SO AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 1218 OF THIS ACT MAY, WITH THE CERTIFICATION BY HIS ATTENDING PHYSICIAN THAT HE IS PERMANENTLY DISABLED, AND PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO ATTEND THE POLLS OR OPERATE A VOTING MACHINE AND MAKE THE DISTINCT AND AUDIBLE STATEMENT REQUIRED BY SECTION 1218 APPENDED TO THE APPLICATION HEREINBEFORE REQUIRED, BE PLACED ON A PERMANENTLY DISABLED ABSENTEE BALLOT LIST FILE. AN ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION SHALL BE MAILED TO EVERY SUCH PERSON [FOR EACH PRIMARY OR ELECTION] OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ONE, BY THE FIRST MONDAY IN FEBRUARY EACH YEAR, SO LONG AS HE DOES NOT LOSE HIS VOTING RIGHTS BY FAILURE TO VOTE AS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY THIS ACT. SUCH PERSON SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO FILE A PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF DISABILITY WITH EACH APPLICATION AS REQUIRED IN SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION [BUT SUCH PERSON MUST SUBMIT A WRITTEN STATEMENT ASSERTING CONTINUING DISABILITY EVERY FOUR YEARS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN HIS ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION]. SHOULD ANY SUCH PERSON LOSE HIS
DISABILITY HE SHALL INFORM THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF THE
COUNTY OF HIS RESIDENCE. AN ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION MAILED
TO A VOTER UNDER THIS SECTION, WHICH IS COMPLETED AND TIMELY
RETURNED BY THE VOTER, SHALL SERVE AS AN APPLICATION FOR ANY AND
ALL PRIMARY, GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD IN THE
REMAINDER OF THAT CALENDAR YEAR AND FOR ALL SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO
BE HELD BEFORE THE THIRD MONDAY IN FEBRUARY OF THE SUCCEEDING
YEAR.

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(I) (1) APPLICATION FOR OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE
ON PHYSICAL AND ELECTRONIC FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF
THE COMMONWEALTH. THE APPLICATION SHALL STATE THAT [A VOTER] AN
ELECTOR WHO RECEIVES AND VOTES AN ABSENTEE BALLOT PURSUANT TO
SECTION 1301 [AND WHO, ON ELECTION DAY, IS CAPABLE OF VOTING AT
THE APPROPRIATE POLLING PLACE MUST VOID THE ABSENTEE BALLOT AND
VOTE IN THE NORMAL MANNER AT THE APPROPRIATE VOTING PLACE] SHALL
NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT A POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY. SUCH
PHYSICAL APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE FREELY AVAILABLE TO THE
PUBLIC AT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS AND AT
SUCH OTHER LOCATIONS DESIGNATED BY THE SECRETARY. SUCH
ELECTRONIC APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE FREELY AVAILABLE TO
THE PUBLIC THROUGH PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE MEANS. NO WRITTEN
APPLICATION OR PERSONAL REQUEST SHALL BE NECESSARY TO RECEIVE OR
ACCESS THE APPLICATION FORMS. COPIES AND RECORDS OF ALL
COMPLETED PHYSICAL AND ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL
ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE RETAINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS.

(2) NOTHING IN THIS ACT SHALL PROHIBIT A PRIVATE
ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL FROM PRINTING BLANK VOTER
APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS OR SHALL PROHIBIT THE USE OF
SUCH APPLICATIONS BY ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL, PROVIDED THE FORM, CONTENT AND PAPER QUALITY HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

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(K) THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH MAY DEVELOP AN ELECTRONIC SYSTEM THROUGH WHICH ALL QUALIFIED ELECTORS MAY APPLY FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND REQUEST PERMANENT ABSENTEE VOTER STATUS UNDER SUBSECTION (E.1), PROVIDED THE SYSTEM IS ABLE TO CAPTURE A DIGITIZED OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT. A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL TREAT ANY APPLICATION OR REQUEST RECEIVED THROUGH THE ELECTRONIC SYSTEM AS IF THE APPLICATION OR REQUEST HAD BEEN SUBMITTED ON A PAPER FORM OR ANY OTHER FORMAT USED BY THE COUNTY.

SECTION 5.1. SECTIONS 1302.1, 1302.2, 1302.3 HEADING, (A) AND (C), 1303(D) AND (E) AND 1305(B) OF THE ACT ARE AMENDED TO READ:

SECTION 1302.1. DATE OF APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT.-- (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN [SUBSECTIONS (A.1) AND (A.2)] SUBSECTION (A.3), APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS NOT EARLIER THAN FIFTY (50) DAYS BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION [AND], EXCEPT THAT IF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DETERMINES THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO ITS OPERATIONAL NEEDS, ANY APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS RECEIVED MORE THAN FIFTY (50) DAYS BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION MAY BE PROCESSED BEFORE THAT TIME. APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE PROCESSED IF RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. OF THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION. [(A.1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A.2), IN THE EVENT ANY ELECTOR OTHERWISE QUALIFIED WHO IS SO PHYSICALLY DISABLED OR
ILL ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION THAT HE IS UNABLE TO FILE HIS APPLICATION OR WHO BECOMES PHYSICALLY DISABLED OR ILL AFTER THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION AND IS UNABLE TO APPEAR AT HIS POLLING PLACE OR ANY ELECTOR OTHERWISE QUALIFIED WHO BECAUSE OF THE CONDUCT OF HIS BUSINESS, DUTIES OR OCCUPATION WILL NECESSARILY BE ABSENT FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIS RESIDENCE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, WHICH FACT WAS NOT AND COULD NOT REASONABLY BE KNOWN TO SAID ELECTOR ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE ELECTOR SHALL BE ENTITLED TO AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO FIVE O'Clock P.M. ON THE FIRST FRIDAY PRECEDING ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION UPON EXECUTION OF AN EMERGENCY APPLICATION IN SUCH FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

(A.2) In the event any elector otherwise qualified who becomes so physically disabled or ill between five o'clock p.m. on the first Friday preceding any primary or election and eight o'clock p.m. on the day of any primary or election that he is unable to appear at his polling place or any elector otherwise qualified who because of the conduct of his business, duties or occupation will necessarily be absent from the municipality of his residence on the day of the primary or election, which fact was not and could not reasonably be known to said elector prior to five o'clock p.m. on the first Friday preceding any primary or election, the elector shall be entitled to an absentee ballot if the elector completes and files with the court of common pleas in the county in which the elector is qualified to vote an emergency application or a letter or other signed document, which includes the same information as is provided on the emergency application. Upon a determination that the elector is
A QUALIFIED ABSENTEE ELECTOR UNDER SECTION 1301, THE JUDGE SHALL ISSUE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR.]

(A.3) (1) THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES OF ELECTORS MAY APPLY FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, IF OTHERWISE QUALIFIED:

(I) AN ELECTOR WHOSE PHYSICAL DISABILITY OR ILLNESS PREVENTED THE ELECTOR FROM APPLYING FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(II) AN ELECTOR WHO, BECAUSE OF THE ELECTOR'S BUSINESS, DUTIES OR OCCUPATION, WAS UNABLE TO APPLY FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(III) AN ELECTOR WHO BECOMES SO PHYSICALLY DISABLED OR ILL AFTER FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION THAT THE ELECTOR IS UNABLE TO APPEAR AT THE POLLING PLACE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(IV) AN ELECTOR WHO, BECAUSE OF THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTOR'S BUSINESS, DUTIES OR OCCUPATION, WILL NECESSARILY BE ABSENT FROM THE ELECTOR'S MUNICIPALITY OF RESIDENCE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, WHICH FACT WAS NOT AND COULD NOT REASONABLY BE KNOWN TO THE ELECTOR ON OR BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(2) AN ELECTOR DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) MAY SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AT ANY TIME UP UNTIL THE TIME OF THE CLOSING OF THE POLLS ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. THE APPLICATION SHALL INCLUDE A DECLARATION DESCRIBING THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT PREVENTED THE ELECTOR FROM APPLYING FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION OR THAT PREVENT THE

(3) IF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DETERMINES THAT THE ELECTOR MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR.


(5) MULTIPLE PEOPLE QUALIFIED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY DESIGNATE THE SAME PERSON, AND A SINGLE PERSON MAY SERVE AS THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE FOR MULTIPLE QUALIFIED ELECTORS.

(6) IF THE ELECTOR IS UNABLE TO APPEAR AT THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR UNABLE TO OBTAIN ASSISTANCE FROM AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, THE COUNTY BOARD MAY PROVIDE AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR ASK THE JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE ELECTOR IS QUALIFIED TO VOTE TO DIRECT A DEPUTY SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY TO DELIVER THE ABSENTEE BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR IF THE ELECTOR IS AT A PHYSICAL LOCATION WITHIN THE COUNTY AND RETURN
THE COMPLETED ABSENTEE BALLOT, SEALED IN THE OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT ENVELOPES, TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, WHO SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE BALLOTS, UNOPENED, TO THE ABSENTEE VOTER'S RESPECTIVE ELECTION DISTRICT]. IF THERE IS NO AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AND A DEPUTY SHERIFF IS UNAVAILABLE TO DELIVER AN ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER THIS SECTION, THE JUDGE MAY DIRECT A CONSTABLE TO MAKE SUCH DELIVERY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.

(7) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHO REQUIRES ASSISTANCE IN MARKING THE ELECTOR'S BALLOT, THE ELECTOR SHALL DESIGNATE IN WRITING THE PERSON WHO WILL ASSIST IN MARKING THE BALLOT. SUCH PERSON SHALL BE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO ELECTORS ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE, AND SUCH PERSON SHALL DECLARE IN WRITING THAT ASSISTANCE WAS RENDERED. ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE DESIGNEE WHO SHALL RENDER ASSISTANCE IN MARKING A BALLOT OR ANY PERSON RENDERING ASSISTANCE WHO SHALL FAIL TO EXECUTE A DECLARATION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT.

(8) NO ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE COUNTED WHICH IS RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS LATER THAN EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION THE DEADLINE FOR ITS RECEIPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1308(G).

(B) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHOSE APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT IS RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS EARLIER THAN FIFTY (50) DAYS BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE APPLICATION SHALL BE HELD AND PROCESSED UPON COMMENCEMENT OF THE FIFTY-DAY PERIOD OR AT SUCH EARLIER TIME AS THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DETERMINES MAY BE APPROPRIATE.

(C) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHO IS PHYSICALLY DISABLED OR ILL ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO A PRIMARY OR
ELECTION OR BECOMES PHYSICALLY DISABLED OR ILL AFTER THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO A PRIMARY OR ELECTION, SUCH EMERGENCY APPLICATION, LETTER OR OTHER SIGNED DOCUMENT SHALL CONTAIN A SUPPORTING AFFIDAVIT FROM HIS ATTENDING PHYSICIAN STATING THAT DUE TO PHYSICAL DISABILITY OR ILLNESS SAID ELECTOR WAS UNABLE TO APPLY FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION OR BECAME PHYSICALLY DISABLED OR ILL AFTER THAT PERIOD.

(D) IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHO IS NECESSARILY ABSENT BECAUSE OF THE CONDUCT OF HIS BUSINESS, DUTIES OR OCCUPATION UNDER THE UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTIONS (A.1) AND (A.2), SUCH EMERGENCY APPLICATION, LETTER OR OTHER SIGNED DOCUMENT SHALL CONTAIN A SUPPORTING AFFIDAVIT FROM SUCH ELECTOR STATING THAT BECAUSE OF THE CONDUCT OF HIS BUSINESS, DUTIES OR OCCUPATION SAID ELECTOR WILL NECESSARILY BE ABSENT FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIS RESIDENCE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION WHICH FACT WAS NOT AND COULD NOT REASONABLY BE KNOWN TO SAID ELECTOR ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.]

SECTION 1302.2. APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT.--

(A) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UPON RECEIPT OF ANY APPLICATION FILED BY A QUALIFIED ELECTOR NOT REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED UNDER PRECEDING SECTION 1301, SHALL ASCERTAIN FROM THE INFORMATION ON SUCH APPLICATION, DISTRICT REGISTER OR FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE THAT SUCH APPLICANT POSSESSES ALL THE QUALIFICATIONS OF A QUALIFIED ELECTOR OTHER THAN BEING REGISTERED OR ENROLLED. IF THE BOARD IS SATISFIED THAT THE APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED TO RECEIVE AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT, THE APPLICATION SHALL BE MARKED APPROVED SUCH APPROVAL DECISION
SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING EXCEPT THAT CHALLENGES MAY BE MADE
ONLY ON THE GROUND THAT THE APPLICANT DID NOT POSSESS
QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ABSENTEE ELECTOR. SUCH CHALLENGES MUST BE
MADE TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PRIOR TO [5:00 O'CLOCK
P.M. ON THE FIRST FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE ELECTION.] THE APPLICABLE
DEADLINE FOR THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS TO BE RECEIVED, AS PROVIDED IN
SECTION 1308(G). WHEN SO APPROVED, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
SHALL CAUSE THE APPLICANT'S NAME AND RESIDENCE (AND AT A
PRIMARY, THE PARTY ENROLLMENT) TO BE INSERTED IN THE MILITARY,
VETERANS AND EMERGENCY CIVILIANS ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE AS
PROVIDED IN SECTION 1302.3, SUBSECTION (B): PROVIDING, HOWEVER,
THAT NO APPLICATION OF ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR IN MILITARY SERVICE
SHALL BE REJECTED FOR FAILURE TO INCLUDE ON [HIS] THE ELECTOR'S
APPLICATION ANY INFORMATION IF SUCH INFORMATION MAY BE
ASCERTAINED WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS.

(B) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UPON RECEIPT OF ANY
APPLICATION FILED BY A QUALIFIED ELECTOR WHO IS ENTITLED, UNDER
THE PROVISIONS OF THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION LAW AS NOW OR
HEREINAFTER ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO ABSENTEE
REGISTRATION PRIOR TO OR CONCURRENTLY WITH THE TIME OF VOTING AS
PROVIDED UNDER PRECEDING SECTION 1301, SHALL ASCERTAIN FROM THE
INFORMATION ON SUCH APPLICATION OR FROM ANY OTHER SOURCE THAT
SUCH APPLICANT POSSESSES ALL THE QUALIFICATIONS OF A QUALIFIED
ELECTOR. IF THE BOARD IS SATISFIED THAT THE APPLICANT IS
ENTITLED, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION LAW
AS NOW OR HEREINAFTER ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, TO
ABSENTEE REGISTRATION PRIOR TO OR CONCURRENTLY WITH THE TIME OF
VOTING AND THAT THE APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED TO RECEIVE AN
OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT, THE APPLICATION SHALL BE MARKED
"APPROVED." SUCH APPROVAL DECISION SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING EXCEPT THAT CHALLENGES MAY BE MADE ONLY ON THE GROUND THAT THE APPLICANT DID NOT POSSESS THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ABSENTEE ELECTOR PRIOR TO OR CONCURRENTLY WITH THE TIME OF VOTING. SUCH CHALLENGES MUST BE MADE TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PRIOR TO [5:00 O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FIRST FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE ELECTION.] THE APPLICABLE DEADLINE FOR THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS TO BE RECEIVED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1308(G). WHEN SO APPROVED, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL CAUSE THE APPLICANT'S NAME AND RESIDENCE (AND AT A PRIMARY, THE PARTY ENROLLMENT) TO BE INSERTED IN THE MILITARY, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY CIVILIAN ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1302.3 SUBSECTION (B).

(C) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UPON RECEIPT OF ANY APPLICATION OF A QUALIFIED ELECTOR REQUIRED TO BE REGISTERED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF PRECEDING SECTION 1301, SHALL DETERMINE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF SUCH APPLICANT BY VERIFYING THE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION AND COMPARING THE INFORMATION SET FORTH ON SUCH APPLICATION WITH THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE APPLICANT'S PERMANENT REGISTRATION CARD. IF THE BOARD IS SATISFIED THAT THE APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED TO RECEIVE AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT, THE APPLICATION SHALL BE MARKED "APPROVED." SUCH APPROVAL DECISION SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING, EXCEPT THAT CHALLENGES MAY BE MADE ONLY ON THE GROUND THAT THE APPLICANT DID NOT POSSESS THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ABSENTEE ELECTOR. SUCH CHALLENGES MUST BE MADE TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PRIOR TO [5:00 O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FIRST FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE ELECTION.] THE APPLICABLE DEADLINE FOR THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS TO BE RECEIVED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1308(G). WHEN SO APPROVED, THE REGISTRATION COMMISSION SHALL CAUSE AN ABSENTEE VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD TO

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BE INSERTED IN THE DISTRICT REGISTER ON TOP OF AND ALONG WITH
THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION CARD. THE ABSENTEE VOTER'S TEMPORARY
REGISTRATION CARD SHALL BE IN THE COLOR AND FORM PRESCRIBED IN
SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION:

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THE DUTIES OF THE COUNTY BOARDS OF
ELECTIONS AND THE REGISTRATION COMMISSIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE
INSERTION OF THE ABSENTEE VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD OF
ANY ELECTOR FROM THE DISTRICT REGISTER AS SET FORTH IN SECTION
1302.2 SHALL INCLUDE ONLY SUCH APPLICATIONS AND EMERGENCY
APPLICATIONS AS ARE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY
PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. IN ALL CASES WHERE
APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED AFTER THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE
PRIMARY OR ELECTION AND BEFORE [FIVE O'CLOCK P. M. ON THE FIRST
FRIDAY PRIOR TO] EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR
ELECTION, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL DETERMINE THE
QUALIFICATIONS OF SUCH APPLICANT BY VERIFYING THE PROOF OF
IDENTIFICATION AND COMPARING THE INFORMATION SET FORTH ON SUCH
APPLICATION WITH THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON THE APPLICANT'S
DUPLICATE REGISTRATION CARD ON FILE IN THE GENERAL REGISTER
(ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE MASTER FILE) IN THE OFFICE OF THE
REGISTRATION COMMISSION AND SHALL CAUSE THE NAME AND RESIDENCE
(AND AT PRIMARIES, THE PARTY ENROLLMENT) TO BE INSERTED IN THE
MILITARY, VETERANS AND EMERGENCY CIVILIAN ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE
AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1302.3, SUBSECTION (B). [IN ADDITION, THE
LOCAL DISTRICT BOARDS OF ELECTIONS SHALL, UPON CANVASSING THE
OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS UNDER SECTION 1308, EXAMINE THE VOTING
CHECK LIST OF THE ELECTION DISTRICT OF SAID ELECTOR'S RESIDENCE
AND SATISFY ITSELF THAT SUCH ELECTOR DID NOT CAST ANY BALLOT
OTHER THAN THE ONE PROPERLY ISSUED TO HIM UNDER HIS ABSENTEE
BALLOT APPLICATION. IN ALL CASES WHERE THE EXAMINATION OF THE
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LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD OF ELECTIONS DISCLOSES THAT AN ELECTOR DID
VOTE A BALLOT OTHER THAN THE ONE PROPERLY ISSUED TO HIM UNDER
THE ABSENTEE BALLOT APPLICATION, THE LOCAL DISTRICT BOARD OF
ELECTIONS SHALL THEREUPON CANCEL SAID ABSENTEE BALLOT AND SAID
ELECTOR SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES AS HEREINAFTER SET
FORTH.]

(D) IN THE EVENT THAT ANY APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICIAL
ABSENTEE BALLOT IS NOT APPROVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS, THE ELECTOR SHALL BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY TO THAT
EFFECT WITH A STATEMENT BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE REASONS FOR
THE DISAPPROVAL. FOR THOSE APPLICANTS WHOSE PROOF OF
IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT PROVIDED WITH THE APPLICATION OR COULD
NOT BE VERIFIED BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL SEND NOTICE TO THE
ELECTOR WITH THE ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUIRING THE ELECTOR TO
PROVIDE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION WITH THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR THE
BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED.

(E) THE ABSENTEE VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD SHALL
BE IN DUPLICATE AND THE SAME SIZE AS THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION
CARD, IN A DIFFERENT AND CONTRASTING COLOR TO THE PERMANENT
REGISTRATION CARD AND SHALL CONTAIN THE ABSENTEE VOTER'S NAME
AND ADDRESS AND SHALL CONSPICUOUSLY CONTAIN THE WORDS "ABSENTEE
VOTER." [SUCH CARD SHALL ALSO CONTAIN THE AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED BY
SUBSECTION (B) OF SECTION 1306.]

(F) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, A
QUALIFIED ABSENTEE ELECTOR SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE
PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION IF THE ELECTOR IS ENTITLED TO VOTE BY
ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER THE UNIFORMED AND OVERSEAS CITIZENS
ABSENTEE VOTING ACT (PUBLIC LAW 99-410, 100 STAT. 924) OR BY AN
ALTERNATIVE BALLOT UNDER THE VOTING ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE
ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED ACT (PUBLIC LAW 98-435, 98 STAT. 1678).

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SECTION 1302.3. ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN ELECTORS FILES AND
LISTS.--(A) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MAINTAIN AT ITS
OFFICE A FILE CONTAINING THE DUPLICATE ABSENTEE VOTER'S
TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARDS OF EVERY REGISTERED ELECTOR TO WHOM
AN ABSENTEE BALLOT HAS BEEN SENT. SUCH DUPLICATE ABSENTEE
VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARDS SHALL BE FILED BY ELECTION
DISTRICTS AND WITHIN EACH ELECTION DISTRICT IN EXACT
ALPHABETICAL ORDER AND INDEXED. THE REGISTRATION CARDS AND THE
REGISTRATION CARDS UNDER SECTION 1302.3-D SO FILED SHALL
CONSTITUTE THE REGISTERED ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTERS FILE FOR
THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION OF (DATE OF PRIMARY OR ELECTION) AND
SHALL BE KEPT ON FILE FOR A PERIOD COMMENCING THE TUESDAY PRIOR
TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION UNTIL THE DAY FOLLOWING
THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION OR THE DAY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
CERTIFIES THE RETURNS OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, WHICHEVER DATE
IS LATER. SUCH FILE SHALL BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION AT ALL
TIMES SUBJECT TO REASONABLE SAFEGUARDS, RULES AND REGULATIONS.

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(C) NOT LESS THAN FIVE DAYS PRECEDING THE ELECTION, THE
CHIEF CLERK SHALL PREPARE A LIST FOR EACH ELECTION DISTRICT
SHOWING THE NAMES AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES OF ALL VOTING
RESIDENTS THEREOF TO WHOM OFFICIAL ABSENTEE OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS
SHALL HAVE BEEN ISSUED. EACH SUCH LIST SHALL BE PREPARED IN
DUPLICATE, SHALL BE HEADED "PERSONS IN (GIVE IDENTITY OF
ELECTION DISTRICT) TO WHOM ABSENTEE OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS HAVE BEEN
ISSUED FOR THE ELECTION OF (DATE OF ELECTION)," AND SHALL BE
SIGNED BY HIM NOT LESS THAN FOUR DAYS PRECEDING THE ELECTION. HE
SHALL POST THE ORIGINAL OF EACH SUCH LIST IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE
IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD AND SEE THAT IT IS
KEPT SO POSTED UNTIL THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS ON ELECTION DAY. HE
SHALL CAUSE THE DUPLICATE OF EACH SUCH LIST TO BE DELIVERED TO
THE JUDGE OF ELECTION IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT IN THE SAME
MANNER AND AT THE SAME TIME AS ARE PROVIDED IN THIS ACT FOR THE
DELIVERY OF OTHER ELECTION SUPPLIES, AND IT SHALL BE THE DUTY OF
SUCH JUDGE OF ELECTION TO POST SUCH DUPLICATE LIST IN A
CONSPICUOUS PLACE WITHIN THE POLLING PLACE OF HIS DISTRICT AND
SEE THAT IT IS KEPT SO POSTED THROUGHOUT THE TIME THAT THE POLLS
ARE OPEN. UPON WRITTEN REQUEST, HE SHALL FURNISH A COPY OF SUCH
LIST TO ANY CANDIDATE OR PARTY COUNTY CHAIRMAN.

SECTION 1303. OFFICIAL ABSENTEE VOTERS BALLOTS.--* * *

(D) IN CASES WHERE THERE IS NOT TIME TO PRINT ON SAID
BALLOTS THE NAMES OF THE VARIOUS CANDIDATES, THE COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS SHALL PRINT SPECIAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS WHICH
SHALL BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM OF OTHER OFFICIAL ABSENTEE
BALLOTS EXCEPT THAT SUCH SPECIAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL
CONTAIN BLANK SPACES ONLY UNDER THE TITLES OF SUCH OFFICES IN
WHICH ELECTORS MAY INSERT, BY WRITING OR STAMPING, THE NAMES OF
THE CANDIDATES FOR WHOM THEY DESIRE TO VOTE, AND IN SUCH CASES
THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL FURNISH TO ELECTORS LISTS
CONTAINING THE NAMES OF ALL THE CANDIDATES NAMED IN NOMINATION
PETITIONS OR WHO HAVE BEEN REGULARLY NOMINATED UNDER THE
PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, FOR THE USE OF SUCH ELECTORS IN
PREPARING THEIR BALLOTS. SPECIAL WRITE-IN ABSENTEE BALLOTS ALSO
SHALL INCLUDE ALL CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND OTHER QUESTIONS
TO BE VOTED ON BY THE ELECTORS.

(E) THE OFFICIAL ABSENTEE VOTER BALLOT SHALL STATE THAT A
VOTER WHO RECEIVES AN ABSENTEE BALLOT PURSUANT TO SECTION 1301
AND WHOSE BALLOT IS NOT TIMELY RECEIVED AND WHO, ON ELECTION
DAY, IS CAPABLE OF VOTING AT THE APPROPRIATE POLLING PLACE [MUST
VOID THE ABSENTEE BALLOT AND VOTE IN THE NORMAL MANNER AT THE
APPROPRIATE VOTING PLACE] MAY ONLY VOTE ON ELECTION DAY BY
PROVISIONAL BALLOT.

SECTION 1305. DELIVERING OR MAILING BALLOTS.--

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(B) (1) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS UPON RECEIPT AND
APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION FILED BY ANY ELECTOR QUALIFIED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1301, SUBSECTIONS (I)
TO (L), INCLUSIVE, SHALL COMMENCE TO DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL
ABSENTEE BALLOTS [ON] AS SOON AS A BALLOT IS CERTIFIED AND THE
BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE. WHILE ANY PROCEEDING IS PENDING IN A
FEDERAL OR STATE COURT WHICH WOULD AFFECT THE CONTENTS OF ANY
BALLOT, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAY AWAIT A RESOLUTION OF
THAT PROCEEDING BUT IN ANY EVENT, SHALL COMMENCE TO DELIVER OR
MAIL OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS NOT LATER THAN THE SECOND TUESDAY
PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. FOR THOSE APPLICANTS WHOSE
PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT PROVIDED WITH THE APPLICATION OR
COULD NOT BE VERIFIED BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL SEND THE
NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 1302.2(D) WITH THE ABSENTEE
BALLOT. AS ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED AND APPROVED
AFTER THE TIME THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BEGINS
DELIVERING OR MAILING OFFICIAL ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS, THE
BOARD SHALL DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS TO SUCH
ADDITIONAL ELECTORS WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS.

(2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND
NOTWITHSTANDING THE INCLUSION OF A MAILING ADDRESS ON AN
ABSENTEE OR MAIL-IN BALLOT APPLICATION, A VOTER WHO PRESENTS THE
VOTER'S OWN APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE OR MAIL-IN BALLOT WITHIN
THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DURING REGULAR
BUSINESS HOURS MAY REQUEST TO RECEIVE THE VOTER'S ABSENTEE OR
MAIL-IN BALLOT WHILE THE VOTER IS AT THE OFFICE. THIS REQUEST
MAY BE MADE ORALLY OR IN WRITING. UPON PRESENTATION OF THE
APPLICATION AND THE MAKING OF THE REQUEST AND UPON APPROVAL
UNDER SECTIONS 1302.2 AND 1302.2-D, THE COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS SHALL PROMPTLY PRESENT THE VOTER WITH THE VOTER'S
ABSENTEE OR MAIL-IN BALLOT. IF A VOTER PRESENTS THE VOTER'S
APPLICATION WITHIN THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS' OFFICE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION, A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAY
NOT DENY THE VOTER'S REQUEST TO HAVE THE BALLOT PRESENTED TO THE
VOTER WHILE THE VOTER IS AT THE OFFICE UNLESS THERE IS A BONA
FIDE OBJECTION TO THE ABSENTEE OR MAIL-IN BALLOT APPLICATION.

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SECTION 6. SECTION 1306(A)(1) AND (B) OF THE ACT ARE AMENDED
AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:

SECTION 1306. VOTING BY ABSENTEE ELECTORS.--(A) EXCEPT AS
PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPHS [(1), (2) AND (3), AT ANY TIME AFTER
RECEIVING AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT, BUT ON OR BEFORE [FIVE
O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO] EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. THE DAY
OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE ELECTOR SHALL, IN SECRET,
PROCEED TO MARK THE BALLOT ONLY IN BLACK LEAD PENCIL, INDELIBLE
PENCIL OR BLUE, BLACK OR BLUE-BLACK INK, IN FOUNTAIN PEN OR BALL
POINT PEN, AND THEN FOLD THE BALLOT, ENCLOSE AND SECURELY SEAL
THE SAME IN THE ENVELOPE ON WHICH IS PRINTED, STAMPED OR
ENDORSED "OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT."

[(1) ANY ELECTOR WHO SUBMITS AN EMERGENCY APPLICATION AND
RECEIVES AN ABSENTEE BALLOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
1302.1(A.2) OR (C) SHALL MARK THE BALLOT ON OR BEFORE EIGHT
O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. THIS
ENVELOPE SHALL THEN BE PLACED IN THE SECOND ONE, ON WHICH IS
PRINTED THE FORM OF DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR, AND THE ADDRESS
OF THE ELECTOR'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION AND THE LOCAL ELECTION
DISTRICT OF THE ELECTOR. THE ELECTOR SHALL THEN FILL OUT, DATE AND SIGN THE DECLARATION PRINTED ON SUCH ENVELOPE. SUCH ENVELOPE SHALL THEN BE SECURELY SEALED AND THE ELECTOR SHALL SEND SAME BY MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, EXCEPT WHERE FRANKED, OR DELIVER IT IN PERSON TO SAID COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION.]

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(B) IN THE EVENT THAT ANY SUCH ELECTOR, EXCEPTING AN ELECTOR IN MILITARY SERVICE OR ANY ELECTOR UNABLE TO GO TO HIS POLLING PLACE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY, ENTITLED TO VOTE AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT SHALL BE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIS RESIDENCE ON THE DAY FOR HOLDING THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION FOR WHICH THE BALLOT WAS ISSUED, OR IN THE EVENT ANY SUCH ELECTOR SHALL HAVE RECOVERED FROM HIS ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY SUFFICIENTLY TO PERMIT HIM TO PRESENT HIMSELF AT THE PROPER POLLING PLACE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CASTING HIS BALLOT, SUCH ABSENTEE BALLOT CAST BY SUCH ELECTOR SHALL, BE DECLARED VOID.

ANY SUCH ELECTOR REFERRED TO IN THIS SUBSECTION, WHO IS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIS RESIDENCE, MUST PRESENT HIMSELF AT HIS POLLING PLACE AND SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE UPON PRESENTING HIMSELF AT HIS REGULAR POLLING PLACE IN THE SAME MANNER AS HE COULD HAVE VOTED HAD HE NOT RECEIVED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT: PROVIDED, THAT SUCH ELECTOR HAS FIRST PRESENTED HIMSELF TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS IN HIS LOCAL ELECTION DISTRICT AND SHALL HAVE SIGNED THE AFFIDAVIT ON THE ABSENTEE VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD, WHICH AFFIDAVIT SHALL BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

I HEREBY SWEAR THAT I AM A QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTOR WHO HAS OBTAINED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, HOWEVER, I AM PRESENT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MY RESIDENCE AND PHYSICALLY ABLE TO PRESENT MYSELF AT MY POLLING PLACE AND THEREFORE REQUEST THAT MY
ABSENTEE BALLOT BE VOIDED.

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(DATE)

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(LOCAL JUDGE OF ELECTIONS) (SIGNATURE OF ELECTOR)

AN ELECTOR WHO HAS RECEIVED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER THE
EMERGENCY APPLICATION PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1302.1, AND FOR
WHOM, THEREFORE, NO TEMPORARY ABSENTEE VOTER'S REGISTRATION CARD
IS IN THE DISTRICT REGISTER, SHALL SIGN THE AFOREMENTIONED
AFFIDAVIT IN ANY CASE, WHICH THE LOCAL JUDGE OF ELECTIONS SHALL
THEN CAUSE TO BE INSERTED IN THE DISTRICT REGISTER WITH THE
ELECTOR'S PERMANENT REGISTRATION CARD.)

(1) ANY ELECTOR WHO RECEIVES AND VOTES AN ABSENTEE BALLOT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 1301 SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT A
POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY. THE DISTRICT REGISTER AT EACH
POLLING PLACE SHALL CLEARLY IDENTIFY ELECTORS WHO HAVE RECEIVED
AND VOTED ABSENTEE BALLOTS AS INELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE POLLING
PLACE, AND DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICERS SHALL NOT PERMIT ELECTORS
WHO VOTED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT TO VOTE AT THE POLLING PLACE.

(2) AN ELECTOR WHO REQUESTS AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND WHO IS
NOT SHOWN ON THE DISTRICT REGISTER AS HAVING VOTED THE BALLOT
MAY VOTE BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT UNDER SECTION 1210(A.4)(1).

(C) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 3511 (RELATING TO
RECEIPT OF VOTED BALLOT), A COMPLETED ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE
RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS NO LATER
THAN EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

SECTION 7. SECTIONS 1308 HEADING, (A), (B), (B.1), (D), (E),
(F), (G)(1), (2), (3), (4) AND (5) AND (H) AND 1309 OF THE ACT
ARE AMENDED TO READ:
SECTION 1308. CANVASSING OF OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS.--(A) THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTION, UPON RECEIPT OF OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS IN [SUCH] SEALED OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT ENVELOPES AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS ARTICLE AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS AS IN SEALED OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT ENVELOPES AS PROVIDED UNDER ARTICLE XIII-D, SHALL SAFELY KEEP THE [SAME] BALLOTS IN SEALED OR LOCKED CONTAINERS UNTIL THEY [DISTRIBUTE SAME TO THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL ELECTION DISTRICTS IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.]


ARE TO BE CANVASSED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS. AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, WHETHER ISSUED TO A CIVILIAN, MILITARY OR OTHER VOTER DURING THE REGULAR OR EMERGENCY APPLICATION PERIOD, SHALL BE CANVASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (G). A MAIL-IN BALLOT SHALL BE CANVASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (G).

(B) WATCHERS SHALL BE PERMITTED TO BE PRESENT WHEN THE ENVELOPES CONTAINING OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN...
BALLOTS ARE OPENED AND WHEN SUCH BALLOTS ARE COUNTED AND
RECORDED.

[(B.1) IN ALL ELECTION DISTRICTS IN WHICH ELECTRONIC VOTING
SYSTEMS ARE USED, ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE OPENED AT THE
ELECTION DISTRICT, CHECKED FOR WRITE-IN VOTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH
SECTION 1113-A AND THEN EITHER HAND-COUNTED OR COUNTED BY MEANS
OF THE AUTOMATIC TABULATION EQUIPMENT, WHATEVER THE CASE MAY
BE.]

(D) WHENEVER IT SHALL APPEAR BY DUE PROOF THAT ANY ABSENTEE
ELECTOR OR MAIL-IN ELECTOR WHO HAS RETURNED HIS BALLOT IN
ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT HAS DIED PRIOR TO THE
OPENING OF THE POLLS ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE
BALLOT OF SUCH DECEASED ELECTOR SHALL BE REJECTED BY THE
CANVASSERS BUT THE COUNTING OF THE BALLOT OF AN ABSENTEE ELECTOR
OR A MAIL-IN ELECTOR THUS DECEASED SHALL NOT OF ITSELF
INVALIDATE ANY NOMINATION OR ELECTION.

[(E) AT SUCH TIME THE LOCAL ELECTION BOARD SHALL THEN
FURTHER EXAMINE THE DECLARATION ON EACH ENVELOPE NOT SO SET
ASIDE AND SHALL COMPARE THE INFORMATION THEREON WITH THAT
CONTAINED IN THE "REGISTERED ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE," THE ABSENTEE
VOTERS' LIST AND THE "MILITARY VETERANS AND EMERGENCY CIVILIANS
ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE." IF THE LOCAL ELECTION BOARD IS SATISFIED
THAT THE DECLARATION IS SUFFICIENT AND THE INFORMATION CONTAINED
IN THE "REGISTERED ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE," THE ABSENTEE VOTERS'
LIST AND THE "MILITARY VETERANS AND EMERGENCY CIVILIANS ABSENTEE
VOTERS FILE" VERIFIES HIS RIGHT TO VOTE, THE LOCAL ELECTION
BOARD SHALL ANNOUNCE THE NAME OF THE ELECTOR AND SHALL GIVE ANY
WATCHER PRESENT AN OPPORTUNITY TO CHALLENGE ANY ABSENTEE ELECTOR
UPON THE GROUND OR GROUNDS (1) THAT THE ABSENTEE ELECTOR IS NOT
A QUALIFIED ELECTOR; OR (2) THAT THE ABSENTEE ELECTOR WAS WITHIN

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THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIS RESIDENCE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR
ELECTION DURING THE PERIOD THE POLLS WERE OPEN, EXCEPT WHERE HE
WAS IN MILITARY SERVICE OR EXCEPT IN THE CASE WHERE HIS BALLOT
WAS OBTAINED FOR THE REASON THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO APPEAR
PERSONALLY AT THE POLLING PLACE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL
DISABILITY; OR (3) THAT THE ABSENTEE ELECTOR WAS ABLE TO APPEAR
PERSONALLY AT THE POLLING PLACE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR
ELECTION DURING THE PERIOD THE POLLS WERE OPEN IN THE CASE HIS
BALLOT WAS OBTAINED FOR THE REASON THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO APPEAR
PERSONALLY AT THE POLLING PLACE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL
DISABILITY. UPON CHALLENGE OF ANY ABSENTEE ELECTOR, AS SET FORTH
HEREIN THE LOCAL ELECTION BOARD SHALL MARK "CHALLENGED" ON THE
ENVELOPE TOGETHER WITH THE REASON OR REASONS THEREFOR, AND THE
SAME SHALL BE SET ASIDE FOR RETURN TO THE COUNTY BOARD UNOPENED
PENDING DECISION BY THE COUNTY BOARD AND SHALL NOT BE COUNTED.
ALL ABSENTEE BALLOTS NOT CHALLENGED FOR ANY OF THE REASONS
PROVIDED HEREIN SHALL BE COUNTED AND INCLUDED WITH THE GENERAL
RETURN OF PAPER BALLOTS OR VOTING MACHINES, AS THE CASE MAY BE
AS FOLLOWS. THEREUPON, THE LOCAL ELECTION BOARD SHALL OPEN THE
ENVELOPE OF EVERY UNCHALLENGED ABSENTEE ELECTOR IN SUCH MANNER
AS NOT TO DESTROY THE DECLARATION EXECUTED THEREON. ALL OF SUCH
ENVELOPES ON WHICH ARE PRINTED, STAMPED OR ENDORSED THE WORDS
"OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT" SHALL BE PLACED IN ONE OR MORE
DEPOSITORIES AT ONE TIME AND SAID DEPOSITORY OR DEPOSITORIES
WELL SHAKEN AND THE ENVELOPES MIXED BEFORE ANY ENVELOPE IS TAKEN
THEREFROM. IF ANY OF THESE ENVELOPES SHALL CONTAIN ANY
EXTRANEOUS MARKS OR IDENTIFYING SYMBOLS OTHER THAN THE WORDS
"OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT," THE ENVELOPES AND THE BALLOTS
CONTAINED THEREIN SHALL BE SET ASIDE AND DECLARED VOID. THE
LOCAL ELECTION BOARD SHALL THEN BREAK THE SEALS OF SUCH
WITHIN THE COUNTY.

(F) ANY PERSON CHALLENGING AN APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT \[OR\] AN ABSENTEE BALLOT, AN APPLICATION FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT OR A MAIL-IN BALLOT FOR ANY OF THE REASONS PROVIDED IN THIS ACT SHALL DEPOSIT THE SUM OF TEN DOLLARS ($10.00) IN CASH WITH THE \[LOCAL ELECTION\] COUNTY BOARD, \[IN CASES OF CHALLENGES MADE TO THE LOCAL ELECTION BOARD AND WITH THE COUNTY BOARD IN CASES OF CHALLENGES MADE TO THE COUNTY BOARD FOR WHICH HE SHALL BE ISSUED A RECEIPT FOR EACH CHALLENGE MADE,\] WHICH SUM SHALL ONLY BE REFUNDED IF THE CHALLENGE IS SUSTAINED OR IF THE CHALLENGE IS WITHDRAWN WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS AFTER THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. IF THE CHALLENGE IS DISMISSED BY ANY LAWFUL ORDER THEN THE DEPOSIT SHALL BE FORFEITED. \[ALL DEPOSIT MONEY RECEIVED BY THE LOCAL ELECTION BOARD SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE COUNTY BOARD SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE RETURN OF THE CHALLENGED BALLOTS.\] THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL DEPOSIT ALL DEPOSIT MONEY IN THE GENERAL FUND OF THE COUNTY.

NOTICE OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (B) OF SECTION 1306 SHALL BE PRINTED ON THE ENVELOPE FOR THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT.

(G) (1) \[(I)\] AN ABSENTEE BALLOT CAST BY ANY ABSENTEE ELECTOR AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1301(A), (B), (C), (D), (E), (F), (G) AND (H) \[WHICH IS RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AFTER FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE FRIDAY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE ELECTION AND NO LATER THAN FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE SEVENTH DAY FOLLOWING AN ELECTION\] SHALL BE CANVASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION IF \[THE ABSENTEE BALLOT IS POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN THE DAY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE ELECTION.\] THE BALLOT IS CAST, SUBMITTED AND RECEIVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF 25 PA.C.S. CH. 35 (RELATING TO 20190SB0421PN1292
UNIFORM MILITARY AND OVERSEAS VOTERS).

(II) AN ABSENTEE BALLOT CAST BY ANY ABSENTEE ELECTOR AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1301(I), (J), (K), (L), (M) AND (N), AN ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER SECTION 1302(A.3) OR A MAIL-IN BALLOT CAST BY A MAIL-IN ELECTOR SHALL BE CANVASSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION IF THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT IS RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS NO LATER THAN EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(2) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MEET [ON THE EIGHTH DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION TO CANVASS] NO EARLIER THAN THE CLOSE OF POLLS ON THE DAY OF THE ELECTION AND NO LATER THAN THE THIRD DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION TO BEGIN CANVASSING THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS RECEIVED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SUBSECTION (H)(2). THE CANVASS SHALL CONTINUE THROUGH THE EIGHTH DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION. ONE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH CANDIDATE IN AN ELECTION AND ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH POLITICAL PARTY SHALL BE PERMITTED TO REMAIN IN THE ROOM IN WHICH THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS ARE CANVASSED. REPRESENTATIVES SHALL BE PERMITTED TO CHALLENGE ANY ABSENTEE ELECTOR OR MAIL-IN ELECTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (3).

(3) WHEN THE COUNTY BOARD MEETS TO CANVASS ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS UNDER PARAGRAPH (2), THE BOARD SHALL EXAMINE THE DECLARATION ON THE ENVELOPE OF EACH BALLOT NOT SET ASIDE UNDER SUBSECTION (D) AND SHALL COMPARE THE INFORMATION THEREON WITH THAT CONTAINED IN THE "REGISTERED ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTERS FILE," THE ABSENTEE VOTERS' LIST AND/OR THE "MILITARY VETERANS AND EMERGENCY CIVILIANS ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE," WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE. IF THE COUNTY BOARD HAS VERIFIED THE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION AS REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT AND IS
SATISFIED THAT THE DECLARATION IS SUFFICIENT AND THE INFORMATION
CONTAINED IN THE "REGISTERED ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTERS FILE,"
THE ABSENTEE VOTERS' LIST AND/OR THE "MILITARY VETERANS AND
EMERGENCY CIVILIANS ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE" VERIFIES HIS RIGHT TO
VOTE, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL ANNOUNCE THE NAME OF THE ELECTOR
AND SHALL GIVE ANY CANDIDATE REPRESENTATIVE OR PARTY
REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT AN OPPORTUNITY TO CHALLENGE ANY ABSENTEE
ELECTOR UPON THE GROUND OR GROUNDS: (I) THAT THE ABSENTEE
ELECTOR OR MAIL-IN ELECTOR IS NOT A QUALIFIED ELECTOR; OR (II)
THAT THE ABSENTEE ELECTOR WAS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIS
RESIDENCE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION DURING THE
PERIOD THE POLLS WERE OPEN, EXCEPT WHERE HE WAS IN THE MILITARY
SERVICE OR EXCEPT IN THE CASE WHERE HIS BALLOT WAS OBTAINED FOR
THE REASON THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO APPEAR PERSONALLY AT THE
POLLING PLACE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY; OR
(III) THAT THE ABSENTEE ELECTOR WAS ABLE TO APPEAR PERSONALLY AT
THE POLLING PLACE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION DURING
THE PERIOD THE POLLS WERE OPEN IN THE CASE HIS BALLOT WAS
OBTAINED FOR THE REASON THAT HE WAS UNABLE TO APPEAR PERSONALLY
AT THE POLLING PLACE BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY.
UPON CHALLENGE OF ANY ABSENTEE ELECTOR, AS SET FORTH HEREIN, THE
BOARD SHALL MARK "CHALLENGED" ON THE ENVELOPE TOGETHER WITH THE
REASONS THEREFOR, AND THE SAME SHALL BE SET ASIDE UNOPENED
PENDING FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE CHALLENGE ACCORDING TO THE
PROCEDURE DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (5).
(4) ALL ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS NOT CHALLENGED
FOR ANY OF THE REASONS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) SHALL BE
COUNTED AND INCLUDED WITH THE RETURNS OF THE APPLICABLE ELECTION
DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS[1]:
(1) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL OPEN THE ENVELOPE OF EVERY
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UNCHALLENGED ABSENTEE ELECTOR AND MAIL-IN ELECTOR IN SUCH MANNER
AS NOT TO DESTROY THE DECLARATION EXECUTED THEREON.

(II) IF ANY OF THE ENVELOPES ON WHICH ARE PRINTED, STAMPED
OR ENDORSED THE WORDS "OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT" OR "OFFICIAL
MAIL-IN BALLOT" CONTAIN ANY EXTRANEOUS MARKS OR IDENTIFYING
SYMBOLS, THE ENVELOPES AND THE BALLOTS CONTAINED THEREIN SHALL
BE SET ASIDE AND DECLARED VOID.

(III) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL THEN BREAK THE SEALS OF SUCH
ENVELOPES, REMOVE THE BALLOTS AND RECORD THE VOTES.

(5) WITH RESPECT TO THE CHALLENGED BALLOTS, THEY SHALL BE
PLACED UNOPENED IN A SECURE, SAFE AND SEALED CONTAINER IN THE
CUSTODY OF THE COUNTY BOARD UNTIL IT SHALL FIX A TIME AND PLACE
FOR A FORMAL HEARING OF ALL SUCH CHALLENGES, AND NOTICE SHALL BE
GIVEN WHERE POSSIBLE TO ALL ABSENTEE ELECTORS AND MAIL-IN
ELECTORS THUS CHALLENGED AND TO EVERY INDIVIDUAL WHO MADE A
CHALLENGE. THE TIME FOR THE HEARING SHALL NOT BE LATER THAN FIVE
(5) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF THE CHALLENGE. ON THE DAY FIXED FOR
SAID HEARING, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL PROCEED WITHOUT DELAY TO
HEAR SAID CHALLENGES, AND, IN HEARING THE TESTIMONY, THE COUNTY
BOARD SHALL NOT BE BOUND BY THE PENNSYLVANIA RULES OF EVIDENCE.
THE TESTIMONY PRESENTED SHALL BE STENOGRAPHICALLY RECORDED AND
MADE PART OF THE RECORD OF THE HEARING.

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(H) FOR THOSE ABSENTEE BALLOTS OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS FOR WHICH
PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED OR COULD NOT BE
VERIFIED:

(1) IF THE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION IS RECEIVED AND VERIFIED
BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PRIOR TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF
THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS TO THE LOCAL ELECTION
DISTRICTS, THEN THE COUNTY SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS
AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS FOR WHICH PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION IS RECEIVED AND VERIFIED, ALONG WITH THE OTHER ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS, TO THE ABSENTEE VOTER'S RESPECTIVE ELECTION DISTRICT OR THE MAIL-IN VOTER'S RESPECTIVE ELECTION DISTRICT. IF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DOES NOT RECEIVE OR IS NOT ABLE TO VERIFY THE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION FOR AN ELECTOR PRIOR TO THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS' OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS' BEING SENT TO THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL ELECTION DISTRICTS, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL KEEP THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT AND FOLLOW THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3), WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE.

(2) IF THE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION IS RECEIVED AND VERIFIED AFTER THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO THE APPROPRIATE LOCAL ELECTION DISTRICTS, BUT PRIOR TO THE SIXTH CALENDAR DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION, THEN THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL CANVASS THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (G)(2), UNLESS THE ELECTOR APPEARED TO VOTE AT THE PROPER POLLING PLACE FOR THE PURPOSE OF CASTING A BALLOT, THEN THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT CAST BY THAT ELECTOR SHALL BE DECLARED VOID.

(3) IF AN ELECTOR FAILS TO PROVIDE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION THAT CAN BE VERIFIED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BY THE SIXTH CALENDAR DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION, THEN THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT SHALL NOT BE COUNTED.

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SECTION 1309. PUBLIC RECORDS.--(A) ALL OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS, FILES, APPLICATIONS FOR SUCH BALLOTS AND ENVELOPES ON WHICH THE EXECUTED DECLARATIONS APPEAR, AND ALL INFORMATION AND LISTS ARE HEREBY DESIGNATED AND DECLARED TO BE PUBLIC RECORDS.
AND SHALL BE SAFELY KEPT FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS, EXCEPT THAT
NO PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION SHALL BE MADE PUBLIC, NOR SHALL
INFORMATION CONCERNING A MILITARY ELECTOR BE MADE PUBLIC WHICH
IS EXPRESSLY FORBIDDEN BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BECAUSE OF
MILITARY SECURITY.

(B) FOR EACH ELECTION, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN A
RECORD OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, IF APPLICABLE, FOR EACH
ELECTOR WHO MAKES APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT:
(1) THE ELECTOR'S NAME AND VOTER REGISTRATION ADDRESS.
(2) THE DATE ON WHICH THE ELECTOR'S APPLICATION IS RECEIVED
BY THE COUNTY BOARD.
(3) THE DATE ON WHICH THE ELECTOR'S APPLICATION IS APPROVED
OR REJECTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.
(4) THE DATE ON WHICH THE COUNTY BOARD MAILS OR DELIVERS THE
ABSENTEE BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR.
(5) THE DATE ON WHICH THE ELECTOR'S COMPLETED ABSENTEE
BALLOT IS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.
(6) THE DATE OF THE POSTMARK ON THE MAILING ENVELOPE OF THE
ELECTOR'S COMPLETED ABSENTEE BALLOT.
(C) THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL COMPILE THE RECORDS LISTED UNDER
SUBSECTION (B) AND MAKE THE RECORDS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE UPON
REQUEST WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS.

SECTION 8. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING AN ARTICLE TO READ:

ARTICLE XIII-D
VOTING BY QUALIFIED MAIL-IN ELECTORS

SECTION 1301-D. QUALIFIED MAIL-IN ELECTORS.
(A) GENERAL RULE.--THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS SHALL BE
ENTITLED TO VOTE BY AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT IN ANY PRIMARY OR
ELECTION HELD IN THIS COMMONWEALTH IN THE MANNER PROVIDED UNDER
THIS ARTICLE:
(1) ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR WHO IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE A QUALIFIED ABSENTEE ELECTOR UNDER ARTICLE XIII.

(2) (RESERVED).

(B) CONSTRUCTION.--THE TERM "QUALIFIED MAIL-IN ELECTOR" SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO INCLUDE A PERSON NOT OTHERWISE QUALIFIED AS A QUALIFIED ELECTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DEFINITION IN SECTION 102(T).

SECTION 1302-D. APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS.

(A) GENERAL RULE.--A QUALIFIED ELECTOR UNDER SECTION 1301-D MAY APPLY AT ANY TIME BEFORE ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION FOR AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT IN PERSON OR ON ANY OFFICIAL COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION FORM ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OR THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE QUALIFIED ELECTOR'S VOTING RESIDENCE IS LOCATED.

(B) CONTENT.--THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

(1) THE QUALIFIED ELECTOR'S APPLICATION SHALL CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

(I) LENGTH OF TIME A CITIZEN.

(II) LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN THIS COMMONWEALTH.

(III) DATE OF BIRTH.

(IV) LENGTH OF TIME A RESIDENT OF VOTING DISTRICT.

(V) VOTING DISTRICT, IF KNOWN.

(VI) PARTY CHOICE IN CASE OF PRIMARY.

(VII) NAME.

(2) A QUALIFIED ELECTOR SHALL, IN ADDITION, SPECIFY THE ADDRESS TO WHICH THE BALLOT IS TO BE SENT, THE RELATIONSHIP WHERE NECESSARY AND OTHER INFORMATION AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

(3) WHEN AN APPLICATION IS RECEIVED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH IT SHALL BE FORWARDED TO THE PROPER COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTION.

(C) SIGNATURE REQUIRED.--EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION

(D), THE APPLICATION OF A QUALIFIED ELECTOR UNDER SECTION 1301-D

FOR AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT IN ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION SHALL

BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT.

(D) SIGNATURE NOT REQUIRED.--IF ANY ELECTOR ENTITLED TO A

MAIL-IN BALLOT UNDER THIS SECTION IS UNABLE TO SIGN THE

APPLICATION BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY, THE

ELECTOR SHALL BE EXCUSED FROM SIGNING UPON MAKING A STATEMENT

WHICH SHALL BE WITNESSED BY ONE ADULT PERSON IN SUBSTANTIALLY

THE FOLLOWING FORM:

I HEREBY STATE THAT I AM UNABLE TO SIGN MY APPLICATION

FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE BECAUSE I AM

UNABLE TO WRITE BY REASON OF MY ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL

DISABILITY. I HAVE MADE OR HAVE RECEIVED ASSISTANCE IN

MAKING MY MARK IN LIEU OF MY SIGNATURE.

(MARK)

(DATE)

(COMPLETE ADDRESS OF WITNESS)

(SIGNATURE OF WITNESS)

(E) NUMBERING.--THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL NUMBER,

IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, THE APPLICATIONS FOR AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN

BALLOT, WHICH NUMBER SHALL LIKewise APPEAR ON THE OFFICIAL MAIL-

IN BALLOT FOR THE QUALIFIED ELECTOR. THE NUMBERS SHALL APPEAR

LEGIBLY AND IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE BUT BEFORE THE BALLOTS ARE

DISTRIBUTED, THE NUMBER ON THE BALLOT SHALL BE TORN OFF BY THE

COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION. THE NUMBER INFORMATION SHALL BE

APPROPRIATELY INSERTED AND BECOME A PART OF THE REGISTERED

ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTERS FILE PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 1302.3.

(F) FORM.--APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT SHALL
BE ON PHYSICAL AND ELECTRONIC FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH. THE APPLICATION SHALL STATE THAT A VOTER WHO RECEIVES AND VOTES A MAIL-IN BALLOT UNDER SECTION 1301-D SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT A POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY. THE PHYSICAL APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE FREELY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS AND AT OTHER LOCATIONS DESIGNATED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH. THE ELECTRONIC APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE FREELY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE MEANS. NO WRITTEN APPLICATION OR PERSONAL REQUEST SHALL BE NECESSARY TO RECEIVE OR ACCESS THE APPLICATION FORMS. COPIES AND RECORDS OF ALL COMPLETED PHYSICAL AND ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL BE RETAINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

(G) PERMANENT MAIL-IN VOTING LIST.--

(1) ANY QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTOR MAY REQUEST TO BE PLACED ON A PERMANENT MAIL-IN BALLOT LIST FILE. A MAIL-IN BALLOT APPLICATION SHALL BE MAILED TO EVERY PERSON OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A MAIL-IN BALLOT APPLICATION BY THE FIRST MONDAY IN FEBRUARY EACH YEAR, SO LONG AS THE PERSON DOES NOT LOSE THE PERSON'S VOTING RIGHTS BY FAILURE TO VOTE AS OTHERWISE REQUIRED BY THIS ACT. A MAIL-IN BALLOT APPLICATION MAILED TO A VOTER UNDER THIS SECTION, WHICH IS COMPLETED AND TIMELY RETURNED BY THE VOTER, SHALL SERVE AS AN APPLICATION FOR ANY AND ALL PRIMARY, GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD IN THE REMAINDER OF THAT CALENDAR YEAR AND FOR ALL SPECIAL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD BEFORE THE THIRD MONDAY IN FEBRUARY OF THE SUCCEEDING YEAR.

(2) THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH MAY DEVELOP AN ELECTRONIC SYSTEM THROUGH WHICH ALL QUALIFIED ELECTORS MAY
APPLY FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT AND REQUEST PERMANENT MAIL-IN
VOTER STATUS UNDER THIS SECTION, PROVIDED THE SYSTEM IS ABLE
TO CAPTURE A DIGITIZED OR ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE OF THE
APPLICANT. A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL TREAT AN
APPLICATION OR REQUEST RECEIVED THROUGH THE ELECTRONIC SYSTEM
AS IF THE APPLICATION OR REQUEST HAD BEEN SUBMITTED ON A
PAPER FORM OR ANY OTHER FORMAT USED BY THE COUNTY.

SECTION 1302.1-D. DATE OF APPLICATION FOR MAIL-IN BALLOT.

(A) GENERAL RULE.--APPLICATIONS FOR MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL BE
RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS NOT
EARLIER THAN 50 DAYS BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, EXCEPT THAT
IF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DETERMINES THAT IT WOULD BE
APPROPRIATE TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS’ OPERATIONAL NEEDS,
ANY APPLICATIONS FOR MAIL-IN BALLOTS RECEIVED MORE THAN 50 DAYS
BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION MAY BE PROCESSED BEFORE THAT
TIME. APPLICATIONS FOR MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL BE PROCESSED IF
RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN FIVE O’CLOCK P.M. OF THE FIRST TUESDAY
PRIOR TO THE DAY OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(B) EARLY APPLICATIONS.--IN THE CASE OF AN ELECTOR WHOSE
APPLICATION FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT IS RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF
THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS EARLIER THAN 50 DAYS BEFORE THE
PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE APPLICATION SHALL BE HELD AND PROCESSED
UPON COMMENCEMENT OF THE 50-DAY PERIOD OR AT SUCH EARLIER TIME
AS THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DETERMINES MAY BE APPROPRIATE.

SECTION 1302.2-D. APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR MAIL-IN BALLOT.

(A) APPROVAL PROCESS.--THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UPON
RECEIPT OF ANY APPLICATION OF A QUALIFIED ELECTOR UNDER SECTION
1301-D, SHALL DETERMINE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICANT BY
VERIFYING THE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION AND COMPARING THE
INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THE APPLICATION WITH THE INFORMATION
CONTAINED ON THE APPLICANT'S PERMANENT REGISTRATION CARD. THE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:

(1) IF THE BOARD IS SATISFIED THAT THE APPLICANT IS QUALIFIED TO RECEIVE AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT, THE APPLICATION SHALL BE MARKED "APPROVED."

(2) THE APPROVAL DECISION SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING, EXCEPT THAT CHALLENGES MAY BE MADE ONLY ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE APPLICANT DID NOT POSSESS THE QUALIFICATIONS OF A MAIL-IN ELECTOR.

(3) CHALLENGES MUST BE MADE TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS PRIOR TO THE APPLICABLE DEADLINE FOR THE MAIL-IN BALLOTS TO BE RECEIVED, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 1308(G).

(4) WHEN APPROVED, THE REGISTRATION COMMISSION SHALL CAUSE A MAIL-IN VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD TO BE INSERTED IN THE DISTRICT REGISTER ON TOP OF AND ALONG WITH THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION CARD.

(5) THE MAIL-IN VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD SHALL BE IN THE COLOR AND FORM PRESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (D).

(B) DUTIES OF COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION COMMISSIONS.--THE DUTIES OF THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS AND THE REGISTRATION COMMISSIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE INSERTION OF THE MAIL-IN VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD OF ANY ELECTOR FROM THE DISTRICT REGISTER AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE ONLY THE APPLICATIONS AS ARE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(C) NOTICE.--IN THE EVENT THAT AN APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT IS NOT APPROVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, THE ELECTOR SHALL BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY WITH A STATEMENT BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF THE REASONS FOR THE
DISAPPROVAL. FOR APPLICANTS WHOSE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT PROVIDED WITH THE APPLICATION OR COULD NOT BE VERIFIED BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL SEND NOTICE TO THE ELECTOR WITH THE MAIL-IN BALLOT REQUIRING THE ELECTOR TO PROVIDE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION WITH THE MAIL-IN BALLOT OR THE BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED.

(D) TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD.—THE MAIL-IN VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARD SHALL BE IN DUPLICATE AND THE SAME SIZE AS THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION CARD, IN A DIFFERENT AND CONTRASTING COLOR TO THE PERMANENT REGISTRATION CARD AND SHALL CONTAIN THE MAIL-IN VOTER'S NAME AND ADDRESS AND SHALL CONSPICUOUSLY CONTAIN THE WORDS "MAIL-IN VOTER."

SECTION 1302.3-D. MAIL-IN ELECTORS FILES AND LISTS.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MAINTAIN AT ITS OFFICE A FILE CONTAINING THE DUPLICATE MAIL-IN VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARDS OF EVERY REGISTERED ELECTOR TO WHOM A MAIL-IN BALLOT HAS BEEN SENT. THE DUPLICATE MAIL-IN VOTER'S TEMPORARY REGISTRATION CARDS SHALL BE FILED BY ELECTION DISTRICTS AND WITHIN EACH ELECTION DISTRICT IN EXACT ALPHABETICAL ORDER AND Indexed. THE REGISTRATION CARDS FILED SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE REGISTERED ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTERS FILE FOR THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION OF (DATE OF PRIMARY OR ELECTION) UNDER 1302.3(A).

SECTION 1303-D. OFFICIAL MAIL-IN ELECTOR BALLOTS.

(A) GENERAL RULE.—IN ELECTION DISTRICTS IN WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED, THE BALLOTS FOR USE BY MAIL-IN VOTERS UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS PRINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 1002 AND 1003.

(A.1) DUTIES OF COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.—THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, WHEN DETACHING THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS FOR MAIL-IN VOTERS, SHALL BE REQUIRED TO INDICATE ON THE STUB OF
EACH DETACHED BALLOT THE NAME OF THE APPLICANT TO WHICH THAT
PRECISE BALLOT IS BEING SENT. THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
SHALL ALSO REMOVE THE NUMBERED STUB FROM EACH BALLOT AND SHALL
PRINT, STAMP OR ENDORSE IN RED COLOR ON THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS THE
WORDS, "OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT." THE BALLOTS SHALL BE
DISTRIBUTED BY A BOARD AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS SECTION.

(B) PREPARATION OF BALLOTS.--IN ELECTION DISTRICTS IN WHICH
VOTING MACHINES ARE USED AND IN ELECTION DISTRICTS IN WHICH
PAPER BALLOTS ARE USED, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS IN THAT
ELECTION DISTRICT WILL NOT PRINT OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 1002 AND 1003. THE BALLOTS FOR USE BY
MAIL-IN VOTERS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE PREPARED SUFFICIENTLY
IN ADVANCE BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND SHALL BE
DISTRIBUTED BY THE BOARDS AS PROVIDED UNDER THIS ACT. THE
BALLOTS SHALL BE MARKED "OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT" BUT SHALL NOT
BE NUMBERED AND SHALL OTHERWISE BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FORM FOR
BALLOTS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE X, WHICH FORM SHALL BE PRESCRIBED BY
THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

(C) USE OF BALLOT CARDS.--IN ELECTION DISTRICTS IN WHICH
ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS ARE UTILIZED, THE MAIL-IN BALLOT MAY
BE IN THE FORM OF A BALLOT CARD WHICH SHALL BE CLEARLY STAMPED
ON THE BALLOT CARD'S FACE "MAIL-IN BALLOT."

(D) SPECIAL WRITE-IN MAIL-IN BALLOTS.--IN CASES WHERE THERE
IS NOT TIME TO PRINT ON THE BALLOTS THE NAMES OF THE VARIOUS
CANDIDATES, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL PRINT SPECIAL
WRITE-IN MAIL-IN BALLOTS WHICH SHALL BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE
FORM OF OTHER OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS, EXCEPT THAT THE SPECIAL
WRITE-IN MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL CONTAIN BLANK SPACES ONLY UNDER
THE TITLES OF THE OFFICES IN WHICH ELECTORS MAY INSERT BY
WRITING OR STAMPING THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES FOR WHOM THEY
DESIRE TO VOTE, AND IN THOSE CASES, THE COUNTY BOARD OF
ELECTIONS SHALL FURNISH TO ELECTORS LISTS CONTAINING THE NAMES
OF ALL THE CANDIDATES NAMED IN NOMINATION PETITIONS OR WHO HAVE
BEEN REGULARLY NOMINATED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, FOR
THE USE OF THE ELECTORS IN PREPARING THEIR BALLOTS. SPECIAL
WRITE-IN MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL INCLUDE ALL CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENTS AND OTHER QUESTIONS TO BE VOTED ON BY THE ELECTORS.

(E) NOTICE.--THE OFFICIAL MAIL-IN VOTER BALLOT SHALL STATE
THAT A VOTER WHO RECEIVES A MAIL-IN BALLOT UNDER SECTION 1301-D
AND WHOSE MAIL-IN BALLOT IS NOT TIMELY RECEIVED MAY ONLY VOTE ON
ELECTION DAY BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT.

SECTION 1304-D. ENVELOPES FOR OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS.

(A) ADDITIONAL ENVELOPES.--THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTION
SHALL PROVIDE TWO ADDITIONAL ENVELOPES FOR EACH OFFICIAL MAIL-IN
BALLOT OF A SIZE AND SHAPE AS SHALL BE PRESCRIBED BY THE
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE PLACING OF
ONE WITHIN THE OTHER AND BOTH WITHIN THE MAILING ENVELOPE. ON
THE SMALLER OF THE TWO ENVELOPES TO BE ENCLOSED IN THE MAILING
ENVELOPE SHALL BE PRINTED, STAMPED OR ENDORSED THE WORDS
"OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT," AND NOTHING ELSE. ON THE LARGER OF
THE TWO ENVELOPES, TO BE ENCLOSED WITHIN THE MAILING ENVELOPE,
SHALL BE PRINTED THE FORM OF THE DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR AND
THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION OF THE
PROPER COUNTY. THE LARGER ENVELOPE SHALL ALSO CONTAIN
INFORMATION INDICATING THE LOCAL ELECTION DISTRICT OF THE MAIL-
IN VOTER.

(B) FORM OF DECLARATION AND ENVELOPE.--THE FORM OF
DECLARATION AND ENVELOPE SHALL BE AS PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY
OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND SHALL CONTAIN, AMONG OTHER THINGS, A
STATEMENT OF THE ELECTOR'S QUALIFICATIONS, TOGETHER WITH A
STATEMENT THAT THE ELECTOR HAS NOT ALREADY VOTED IN THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

(C) MAILING ENVELOPE.--THE MAILING ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO THE ELECTOR SHALL CONTAIN THE TWO ENVELOPES, THE OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT, LISTS OF CANDIDATES, WHEN AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 1303-D(B), THE UNIFORM INSTRUCTIONS IN FORM AND SUBSTANCE AS PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND NOTHING ELSE.

(D) NOTICE.--NOTICE OF THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SECTION 1306-D SHALL BE PRINTED ON THE ENVELOPE FOR THE MAIL-IN BALLOT.

SECTION 1305-D. DELIVERING OR MAILING BALLOTS.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UPON RECEIPT AND APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION FILED BY A QUALIFIED ELECTOR UNDER SECTION 1301-D, SHALL COMMENCE TO DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS ON THE SECOND TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. FOR APPLICANTS WHOSE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT PROVIDED WITH THE APPLICATION OR COULD NOT BE VERIFIED BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL SEND THE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 1302.2-D(C) WITH THE MAIL-IN BALLOT. AS ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED AND APPROVED, THE BOARD SHALL DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS TO THE ADDITIONAL ELECTORS WITHIN 48 HOURS.

SECTION 1306-D. VOTING BY MAIL-IN ELECTORS.

(A) GENERAL RULE.--AT ANY TIME AFTER RECEIVING AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT, BUT ON OR BEFORE EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE MAIL-IN ELECTOR SHALL, IN SECRET, PROCEED TO MARK THE BALLOT ONLY IN BLACK LEAD PENCIL, INDELIBLE PENCIL OR BLUE, BLACK OR BLUE-BLACK INK, IN FOUNTAIN PEN OR BALL POINT PEN, AND THEN FOLD THE BALLOT, ENCLOSE AND SECURELY SEAL THE SAME IN THE ENVELOPE ON WHICH IS PRINTED, STAMPED OR ENDORSED "OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT."
(A.1) SIGNATURE.--ANY ELECTOR WHO IS UNABLE TO SIGN THE DECLARATION BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY, SHALL BE EXCUSED FROM SIGNING UPON MAKING A DECLARATION WHICH SHALL BE WITNESSED BY ONE ADULT PERSON IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM UNABLE TO SIGN MY DECLARATION FOR VOTING MY MAIL-IN BALLOT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE BECAUSE I AM UNABLE TO WRITE BY REASON OF MY ILLNESS OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY. I HAVE MADE OR RECEIVED ASSISTANCE IN MAKING MY MARK IN LIEU OF MY SIGNATURE.

(MARK)

(DATE)

(COMPLETE ADDRESS OF WITNESS)

(SIGNATURE OF WITNESS)

(B) ELIGIBILITY.--

(1) ANY ELECTOR WHO RECEIVES AND VOTES A MAIL-IN BALLOT UNDER SECTION 1301-D SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT A POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY. THE DISTRICT REGISTER AT EACH POLLING PLACE SHALL CLEARLY IDENTIFY ELECTORS WHO HAVE RECEIVED AND VOTED MAIL-IN BALLOTS AS INELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE POLLING PLACE, AND DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICERS SHALL NOT PERMIT ELECTORS WHO VOTED A MAIL-IN BALLOT TO VOTE AT THE POLLING PLACE.

(2) AN ELECTOR WHO REQUESTS A MAIL-IN BALLOT AND WHO IS NOT SHOWN ON THE DISTRICT REGISTER AS HAVING VOTED MAY VOTE BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT UNDER SECTION 1210(A.4)(1).

(C) DEADLINE.--EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 3511 (RELATING TO RECEIPT OF VOTED BALLOT), A COMPLETED MAIL-IN BALLOT MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS NO LATER THAN EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE
PRIMARY OR ELECTION.

SECTION 1307-D. PUBLIC RECORDS.

(A) GENERAL RULE.--ALL OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS, FILES, APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOTS AND ENVELOPES ON WHICH THE EXECUTED DECLARATIONS APPEAR, AND ALL INFORMATION AND LISTS ARE DESIGNATED AND DECLARED TO BE PUBLIC RECORDS AND SHALL BE SAFELY KEPT FOR A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS, EXCEPT THAT NO PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION SHALL BE MADE PUBLIC, NOR SHALL INFORMATION CONCERNING A MILITARY ELECTOR BE MADE PUBLIC WHICH IS EXPRESSLY FORBIDDEN BY THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BECAUSE OF MILITARY SECURITY.

(B) RECORD.--FOR EACH ELECTION, THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL MAINTAIN A RECORD OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, IF APPLICABLE, FOR EACH ELECTOR WHO MAKES APPLICATION FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT:

1. THE ELECTOR'S NAME AND VOTER REGISTRATION ADDRESS.
2. THE DATE ON WHICH THE ELECTOR'S APPLICATION IS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.
3. THE DATE ON WHICH THE ELECTOR'S APPLICATION IS APPROVED OR REJECTED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.
4. THE DATE ON WHICH THE COUNTY BOARD MAILS OR DELIVERS THE MAIL-IN BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR.
5. THE DATE ON WHICH THE ELECTOR'S COMPLETED MAIL-IN BALLOT IS RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD.
6. THE DATE OF THE POSTMARK ON THE MAILING ENVELOPE OF THE ELECTOR'S COMPLETED MAIL-IN BALLOT.

(C) COMPILATION.--THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL COMPILE THE RECORDS LISTED UNDER SUBSECTION (B) AND MAKE THE RECORDS PUBLICLY AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST WITHIN 48 HOURS.

SECTION 1308-D. VIOLATION OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO MAIL-IN VOTING.
(A) PENALTIES. -- EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (B), A
PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT RELATING
TO MAIL-IN VOTING SHALL, UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED, BE SUBJECT
TO THE PENALTIES PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 1850.

(B) PERSONS NOT QUALIFIED AS MAIL-IN VOTERS. -- A PERSON WHO
KNOWINGLY ASSISTS ANOTHER PERSON WHO IS NOT A QUALIFIED MAIL-IN
VOTER IN FILLING OUT A MAIL-IN BALLOT APPLICATION OR MAIL-IN
BALLOT COMMITS A MISDEMEANOR OF THE THIRD DEGREE.

SECTION 9. SECTIONS 1405 AND 1626(C) OF THE ACT ARE AMENDED
TO READ:

SECTION 1405. MANNER OF COMPUTING IRREGULAR BALLOTS. -- THE
COUNTY BOARD, IN COMPUTING THE VOTES CAST AT ANY PRIMARY OR
ELECTION, SHALL COMPUTE AND CERTIFY VOTES CAST ON IRREGULAR
BALLOTS EXACTLY AS SUCH NAMES WERE WRITTEN, STAMPED[,] AFFIXED TO
THE BALLOT BY STICKER[,] OR DEPOSITED [OR AFFIXED] IN OR ON
RECEPTACLES FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND AS THEY HAVE BEEN SO RETURNED
BY THE ELECTION OFFICERS. IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH PAPER BALLOTS OR
BALLOTS CARDS ARE ELECTRONICALLY TABULATED, STICKERS OR LABELS
MAY NOT BE USED TO MARK BALLOTS. A VOTE CAST BY MEANS OF A
STICKER OR LABEL AFFIXED TO A BALLOT OR BALLOT CARD SHALL BE
VOID AND MAY NOT BE COUNTED. IN THE PRIMARY THE SECRETARY OF THE
COMMONWEALTH SHALL NOT CERTIFY THE VOTES CAST ON IRREGULAR
BALLOTS FOR ANY PERSON FOR A NATIONAL OFFICE INCLUDING THAT OF
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, UNITED STATES SENATOR AND
REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS; OR FOR ANY STATE OFFICE INCLUDING
THAT OF GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, AUDITOR GENERAL, STATE
TREASURER, SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
JUSTICES AND JUDGES OF COURTS OF RECORD OR FOR ANY PARTY OFFICE
INCLUDING THAT OF DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO NATIONAL
CONVENTIONS AND MEMBER OF STATE COMMITTEE UNLESS THE TOTAL
NUMBER OF VOTES CAST FOR SAID PERSON IS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN
THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED ON A NOMINATION PETITION FOR
THE PARTICULAR OFFICE. IN THE PRIMARY THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL NOT
CERTIFY THE VOTES CAST ON IRREGULAR BALLOTS FOR ANY PERSON FOR A
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, CONSTABLE, NATIONAL, STATE, COUNTY, CITY,
BOROUGH, TOWN, TOWNSHIP, WARD, SCHOOL DISTRICT, ELECTION OR
LOCAL PARTY OFFICE UNLESS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF VOTES CAST FOR
SAID PERSON IS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN THE NUMBER OF SIGNATURES
REQUIRED ON A NOMINATION PETITION FOR THE PARTICULAR OFFICE.
SECTION 1626. REPORTING BY CANDIDATE AND POLITICAL
COMMITTEES AND OTHER PERSONS.--

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(C) [VOUCHERS OR COPIES OF VOUCHERS FOR ALL SUMS EXPENDED
AMOUNTING TO MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS ($25) SHALL BE
RETAINED BY THE CANDIDATE OR THE COMMITTEE TREASURER AND SHALL
BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AND COPYING AS HEREIN
PROVIDED. ANY PERSON MAY INSPECT OR COPY SUCH VOUCHERS OR COPIES
THEREOF BY FILING A WRITTEN REQUEST WITH THE APPROPRIATE
SUPERVISORY OFFICE WHICH SHALL NOTIFY THE CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL
COMMITTEE OF SUCH REQUEST. THE CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE
SHALL HAVE THE OPTION OF EITHER FORWARDING SUCH VOUCHERS OR COPY
OF THE SAME TO THE SUPERVISOR FOR SUCH PURPOSE OR MAKING THE
VOUCHERS OR COPY OF THE SAME AVAILABLE TO THE REQUESTING PERSON.
IF A CANDIDATE OR A TREASURER OF A POLITICAL COMMITTEE SHALL
FAIL TO MAKE SAID VOUCHERS OR COPIES THEREOF AVAILABLE FOR
INSPECTION AND COPYING WHEN REQUESTED BY THE APPROPRIATE
SUPERVISORY OFFICER, SUCH OFFICER SHALL DIRECT THE CANDIDATE OR
POLITICAL COMMITTEE TO PROMPTLY DELIVER THE VOUCHERS OR COPIES
THEREOF TO THE SUPERVISORY OFFICE FOR PURPOSES OF INSPECTION AND
COPYING. COSTS OF COPYING AND COSTS OF DELIVERY BY THE CANDIDATE
OR TREASURER OF THE REQUESTED VOUCHERS OR COPIES THEREOF SHALL
BE BORNE BY THE PERSON REQUESTING SAME. (1) VOUCHERS OR COPIES
OF VOUCHERS FOR ALL SUMS EXPENDED AMOUNTING TO MORE THAN TWENTY-
FIVE DOLLARS ($25) SHALL BE RETAINED BY THE CANDIDATE OR THE
POLITICAL COMMITTEE TREASURER FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS AS
REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 1622(C) AND SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC
INSPECTION AND COPYING.

(2) A PERSON MAY INSPECT OR COPY VOUCHERS OR COPIES OF
VOUCHERS OR COPIES OF VOUCHERS FOR ALL SUMS EXPENDED AMOUNTING TO MORE THAN TWENTY-
FIVE DOLLARS ($25) SHALL BE RETAINED BY THE CANDIDATE OR THE
POLITICAL COMMITTEE TREASURER FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS AS
REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 1622(C) AND SHALL BE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC
INSPECTION AND COPYING.

(2) A PERSON MAY INSPECT OR COPY VOUCHERS OR COPIES OF
VOUCHERS BY FILING A WRITTEN REQUEST DIRECTLY WITH THE CANDIDATE
OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE. THE CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE
SHALL MAKE THE VOUCHERS OR COPIES OF THE VOUCHERS AVAILABLE TO
THE REQUESTING PERSON. COSTS OF COPYING AND COSTS OF DELIVERY BY
THE CANDIDATE OR TREASURER OF THE REQUESTED VOUCHERS OR COPIES
SHALL BE BORNE BY THE REQUESTING PERSON. IF A CANDIDATE OR A
TREASURER OF A POLITICAL COMMITTEE FAILS TO MAKE THE VOUCHERS OR
COPIES OF THE VOUCHERS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION AND COPYING WHEN
REQUESTED, THE REQUESTING PERSON SHALL PROVIDE WRITTEN NOTICE OF
THE VIOLATION TO THE CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE. IF THE
VIOLATION IS NOT CORRECTED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF A
NOTICE, THE REQUESTING PERSON MAY FILE AN ACTION IN AN
APPROPRIATE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS SEEKING DECLARATORY OR
INJUNCTIVE RELIEF. IN AN ACTION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE COURT
MAY ALLOW THE PREVAILING PARTY REASONABLE ATTORNEY FEES,
INCLUDING LITIGATION COSTS AND EXPENSES.

(3) PRIOR TO GRANTING A REQUEST FOR INSPECTION AND COPYING
VOUCHERS, A CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE MAY REQUIRE A
REQUESTER TO PREPAY AN ESTIMATE OF THE FEES AUTHORIZED UNDER
THIS SECTION IF THE COSTS OF COPYING AND COSTS OF DELIVERY
REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE REQUEST ARE EXPECTED TO EXCEED ONE
HUNDRED DOLLARS ($100). IF NO PREPAYMENT IS REQUESTED OR MADE, A
CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE MAY REQUIRE THE REQUESTOR TO
PAY THE ACTUAL COSTS OF COPYING AND COSTS OF DELIVERY PRIOR TO
THE RELEASE OF THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTS.

(4) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO
THE PENALTIES UNDER THIS ACT. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL HAVE
PROSECUTORIAL JURISDICTION OVER A VIOLATION COMMITTED UNDER THIS
SECTION. THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF ANY COUNTY IN WHICH A
VIOLATION OCCURRED HAS CONCURRENT POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OVER THE VIOLATIONS.

(5) A CANDIDATE OR POLITICAL COMMITTEE MAY DENY A REQUESTING
PERSON ACCESS TO A VOUCHER OR COPIES IF THE REQUESTING PERSON
HAS MADE REPEATED REQUESTS FOR THE SAME RECORD AND THE REPEATED
REQUESTS HAVE PLACED AN UNREASONABLE BURDEN ON THE CANDIDATE OR
POLITICAL COMMITTEE. A DENIAL UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL NOT
RESTRICT THE ABILITY TO REQUEST A DIFFERENT RECORD.

(6) THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS
SECTION SHALL HAVE THE MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS PARAGRAPH
UNLESS THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE:

"COMMITTEE." AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1621.

"COSTS OF COPYING." UP TO TWENTY-FIVE CENTS (25¢) PER COPY
FOR BLACK AND WHITE COPIES, AND UP TO FIFTY CENTS (50¢) PER COPY
FOR COLOR COPIES. IF A CD OR DVD IS PROVIDED, THE COST OF
COPYING WILL BE UP TO THE ACTUAL COST OF THE CD OR DVD, NOT TO
EXCEED THREE DOLLARS ($3) PER DISC. FOR A FLASH DRIVE THE COST
OF COPYING WILL BE UP TO THE ACTUAL COST OF THE FLASH DRIVE.

"COSTS OF DELIVERY." THE COST OF POSTAGE OR SHIPPING OF
DOCUMENTS FROM THE CANDIDATE OR COMMITTEE TO THE REQUESTER. THE
ALLOWABLE FEE FOR POSTAGE OR SHIPPING WILL BE UP TO THE ACTUAL
COST OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE'S FIRST-CLASS POSTAGE.

"POLITICAL COMMITTEE." AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1621.
"VOUCHER." A DOCUMENT THAT REASONABLY DESCRIBES THE CamPAIGN EXPENSE.

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SECTION 10. THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL PREPARE AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE CHANGES TO THE VOTING PROCEDURES UNDER THIS ACT.

SECTION 11. SECTIONS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 5.1, 6, 7, 8, 9 AND 12 OF THIS ACT ARE NONSEVERABLE. IF ANY PROVISION OF THIS ACT OR ITS APPLICATION TO ANY PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE IS HELD INVALID, THE REMAINING PROVISIONS OR APPLICATIONS OF THIS ACT ARE VOID.

SECTION 12. REPEALS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(1) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT THE REPEAL UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) IS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE ADDITION OF SECTION 1231 OF THE ACT.

(2) 25 PA.C.S. § 1326 IS REPEALED.

(3) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT THE REPEAL UNDER PARAGRAPH (4) IS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE ADDITION OF SECTION 1232 OF THE ACT.

(4) 25 PA.C.S. § 1330 IS REPEALED.

(5) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT THE REPEAL UNDER PARAGRAPH (6) IS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE ADDITION OF SECTION 1233 OF THE ACT.

(6) 25 PA.C.S. § 1602(A)(1) IS REPEALED.

SECTION 13. THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

(1) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO THE AMENDMENT OR ADDITION OF THE FOLLOWING PROVISIONS:

(I) SECTION 102.

(II) SECTION 1003(A).

(III) SECTION 1007(B).

(IV) SECTION 1107.
(2) THE PENNSYLVANIA SUPREME COURT HAS EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION TO HEAR A CHALLENGE TO OR TO RENDER A DECLARATORY JUDGMENT CONCERNING THE CONSTITUTIONALITY OF A PROVISION REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (1). THE SUPREME COURT MAY TAKE ACTION IT DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CONSISTENT WITH THE SUPREME COURT RETAINING JURISDICTION OVER THE MATTER, TO FIND FACTS OR TO EXPEDITE A FINAL JUDGMENT IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH A CHALLENGE OR REQUEST FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF.

(3) AN ACTION UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) MUST BE COMMENCED WITHIN 180 DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.

SECTION 14. THIS ACT SHALL APPLY TO ELECTIONS HELD ON OR AFTER APRIL 28, 2020.

SECTION 15. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS:

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(1) The addition of section 207 of the act shall take effect in 180 days.

(2) The remainder of this act shall take effect immediately.