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SENATOR CIANFRANI, APPROPRIATIONS, IN SENATE, RE-REPORTED AS
AMENDED, NOVEMBER 8, 1976

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled
2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal,
3 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates,
4 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating
5 and defining membership of county boards of elections;
6 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
7 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners;
8 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying,
9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and
10 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to
11 elections," ~~PROVIDING CLARIFYING LANGUAGE FOR THE PHRASE~~ <—
12 ~~"RULES OF A PARTY" AND FOR THE PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE~~
13 ~~SELECTION OR ELECTION OF DELEGATES OR ALTERNATE DELEGATES TO~~
14 ~~A NATIONAL CONVENTION OF A POLITICAL PARTY AND requiring a~~
15 ~~receipt upon the filing of nomination petitions and papers.~~
16 ~~PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF A~~ <—
17 ~~TRAINING PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN ELECTION OFFICIALS AND PROVIDING~~
18 ~~FOR STATE REIMBURSEMENT OF COUNTIES FOR BALLOTS CAST AT THE~~
19 ~~PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS IN EVEN NUMBERED YEARS.~~
20 REVISING AND CHANGING PROVISIONS FOR THE CREATION, DIVISION,
21 REALIGNMENT OR CONSOLIDATION OF WARDS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST
22 CLASS, PRESCRIBING PROCEDURES THEREFOR, AND MAKING EDITORIAL
23 CORRECTIONS.

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

26 ~~Section 1. Sections 913 and 953, act of June 3, 1937~~ <—
27 ~~(P.L.1333, No.320), known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code,"~~

are amended by adding a subsection to each section to read:

SECTION 1. ~~SUBSECTION (A) OF SECTION 801, ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, NO.320), KNOWN AS THE "PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE," AMENDED DECEMBER 22, 1971 (P.L.613, NO.165), IS AMENDED TO READ:~~

SECTION 801. ~~DEFINITION OF POLITICAL PARTIES AND POLITICAL BODIES.~~

~~(A) ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY, ONE OF WHOSE CANDIDATES AT THE GENERAL ELECTION NEXT PRECEDING THE PRIMARY POLLED IN EACH OF AT LEAST TEN COUNTIES OF THE STATE NOT LESS THAN TWO PER CENTUM OF THE LARGEST ENTIRE VOTE CAST IN EACH OF SAID COUNTIES FOR ANY ELECTED CANDIDATE, AND POLLED A TOTAL VOTE IN THE STATE EQUAL TO AT LEAST TWO PER CENTUM OF THE LARGEST ENTIRE VOTE CAST IN THE STATE FOR ANY ELECTED CANDIDATE, IS HEREBY DECLARED TO BE A POLITICAL PARTY WITHIN THE STATE, AND SHALL NOMINATE ALL ITS CANDIDATES FOR ANY OF THE OFFICES PROVIDED FOR IN THIS ACT, AND SHALL SELECT OR ELECT ITS DELEGATES AND ALTERNATE DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION [AS PARTY RULES PROVIDE] AS THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY PROVIDE. STATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND ALSO SUCH PARTY OFFICERS, INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE, AS ITS RULES PROVIDE, SHALL BE ELECTED BY A VOTE OF THE PARTY ELECTORS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT AND [PARTY RULES] THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY.~~

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SECTION 2. ~~SECTION 808.1 OF THE ACT, AMENDED JANUARY 16, 1974 (P.L.5, NO.2), IS AMENDED TO READ:~~

~~SECTION 808.1. SELECTION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS; FORWARDING OF RULES TO SECRETARY OF COMMONWEALTH. DELEGATES AND ALTERNATE DELEGATES TO A NATIONAL CONVENTION OF A POLITICAL PARTY SHALL BE APPORTIONED, SELECTED OR ELECTED IN~~

1 ~~SUCH MANNER AS THE [RULES OF THE] STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A~~
2 ~~PARTY MAY PROVIDE. THE SECRETARY OF ANY POLITICAL PARTY SHALL~~
3 ~~CERTIFY AND FORWARD TO THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH A COPY~~
4 ~~OF THE [PARTY RULES] STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY AT LEAST~~
5 ~~THIRTY DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY ON WHICH NOMINATION PETITIONS~~
6 ~~MAY BE CIRCULATED FOR THE OFFICES WHICH ARE TO BE FILLED AT THE~~
7 ~~SPRING PRIMARIES IN THE YEARS IN WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE~~
8 ~~PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES ARE TO BE NOMINATED, OR AT SUCH~~
9 ~~OTHER TIMES AS A POLITICAL PARTY SHALL MEET IN NATIONAL~~
10 ~~CONVENTION OR CONFERENCE WHEN CANDIDATES FOR THE PRESIDENT OF~~
11 ~~THE UNITED STATES ARE NOT TO BE NOMINATED.~~

12 ~~SECTION 3. SECTIONS 809.1, 907 AND 909 OF THE ACT, ADDED OR~~
13 ~~AMENDED DECEMBER 22, 1971 (P.L.613, NO.165), ARE AMENDED TO~~
14 ~~READ:-~~

15 ~~SECTION 809.1. DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE COMMITMENTS;~~
16 ~~AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED; PETITIONS. (A) WHENEVER THE STATE~~
17 ~~COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY EXPRESSLY PROVIDE THEREIN THAT A~~
18 ~~CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO A NATIONAL~~
19 ~~CONVENTION OF A POLITICAL PARTY MAY PLEDGE HIS SUPPORT TO A~~
20 ~~PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE, HE SHALL BE COMMITTED TO SUPPORT AND~~
21 ~~VOTE FOR THE NOMINATION OF THAT CANDIDATE AS PRESIDENT [AS PARTY~~
22 ~~RULES PROVIDE], AND, IF THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY~~
23 ~~AUTHORIZE SUCH COMMITMENT, THE NOTATION OF [WHICH] SUCH~~
24 ~~COMMITMENT SHALL BE PRINTED UPON THE BALLOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH~~
25 ~~SECTION 1002 OF THIS ACT.~~

26 ~~(B) NO CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE SHALL~~
27 ~~MAKE A COMMITMENT UNLESS THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY SO~~
28 ~~AUTHORIZE AND UNLESS HE HAS OBTAINED PRIOR AUTHORIZATION TO DO~~
29 ~~SO FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TO WHOM HE IS PLEDGING~~
30 ~~SUPPORT. NO CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE SHALL~~

1 ~~BE ALLOWED TO COMMIT HIMSELF TO ANY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE NOR~~
2 ~~SHALL THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH CAUSE ANY NOTATION OF~~
3 ~~COMMITMENT TO BE PRINTED ON ANY BALLOT UNLESS THE STATE~~
4 ~~COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY SO AUTHORIZE AND UNLESS THE~~
5 ~~PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE FORWARDS NOTICE TO THE SECRETARY OF THE~~
6 ~~COMMONWEALTH, UPON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY, THAT HE~~
7 ~~IS A CANDIDATE FOR THE NOMINATION OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED~~
8 ~~STATES AND THAT HE AUTHORIZES DELEGATES AND ALTERNATE DELEGATES~~
9 ~~TO PLEDGE THEIR SUPPORT AND COMMIT THEMSELVES TO HIM. THIS~~
10 ~~NOTICE MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE SECRETARY AT LEAST FIFTEEN DAYS~~
11 ~~PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY ON WHICH NOMINATION PETITIONS MAY BE~~
12 ~~CIRCULATED FOR THE OFFICES WHICH ARE TO BE FILLED AT THE SPRING~~
13 ~~PRIMARIES IN THE YEARS IN WHICH CANDIDATES FOR THE PRESIDENT OF~~
14 ~~THE UNITED STATES ARE TO BE NOMINATED.~~

15 ~~(C) — [NOMINATION] WHERE THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY~~
16 ~~AUTHORIZE COMMITMENT, NOMINATION PETITIONS FOR DELEGATES~~
17 ~~COMMITTED TO PARTICULAR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES SHALL BEAR THE~~
18 ~~IMPRINT OF THE SEAL OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH AND MAY~~
19 ~~BE OBTAINED ONLY FROM THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE OR HIS DULY~~
20 ~~AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE WHO IS CERTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY OF~~
21 ~~THE COMMONWEALTH AS BEING AUTHORIZED BY THE CANDIDATE TO~~
22 ~~DISTRIBUTE NOMINATION PETITIONS BEARING HIS NAME.~~

23 ~~SECTION 907. — NOMINATION PETITIONS TO BE FILED. — THE NAMES OF~~
24 ~~CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND~~
25 ~~THE NAMES OF ALL OTHER CANDIDATES FOR PARTY NOMINATIONS, AND FOR~~
26 ~~ELECTION AS DELEGATES, ALTERNATE DELEGATES, MEMBERS OF~~
27 ~~COMMITTEES AND OTHER PARTY OFFICERS, SHALL BE PRINTED UPON THE~~
28 ~~OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS OF A DESIGNATED PARTY,~~
29 ~~UPON THE FILING OF SEPARATE NOMINATION PETITIONS IN THEIR~~
30 ~~BEHALF, IN FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH,~~

1 ~~SIGNED BY DULY REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF SUCH PARTY WHO~~
2 ~~ARE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE STATE, OR OF THE POLITICAL~~
3 ~~DISTRICT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, WITHIN WHICH THE NOMINATION IS TO~~
4 ~~BE MADE OR ELECTION IS TO BE HELD. NOMINATION PETITIONS OF~~
5 ~~DELEGATES AND ALTERNATE DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS~~
6 ~~COMMITTED TO SUPPORT A PARTICULAR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE AS THE~~
7 ~~STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY MAY PROVIDE MUST BE SIGNED BY~~
8 ~~THE PARTICULAR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TO WHOM SUPPORT IS PLEDGED~~
9 ~~BEFORE IT CAN BE CERTIFIED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.~~
10 ~~THE NAME OF NO CANDIDATE SHALL BE PLACED UPON THE OFFICIAL~~
11 ~~BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS OF A POLITICAL PARTY TO BE USED AT ANY~~
12 ~~PRIMARY, UNLESS SUCH PETITION SHALL HAVE BEEN FILED IN HIS~~
13 ~~BEHALF. IN NO EVENT SHALL ANY PERSON'S NAME BE PRINTED UPON THE~~
14 ~~OFFICIAL BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS OF ANY PARTY FOR THE OFFICE OF~~
15 ~~DELEGATE, ALTERNATE DELEGATE, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE OR OTHER PARTY~~
16 ~~OFFICER, UNLESS HE IS A DULY REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBER OF~~
17 ~~SAID PARTY.~~

18 ~~SECTION 909. PETITION MAY CONSIST OF SEVERAL SHEETS;~~
19 ~~AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR. SAID NOMINATION PETITION MAY BE ON ONE~~
20 ~~OR MORE SHEETS, AND DIFFERENT SHEETS MUST BE USED FOR SIGNERS~~
21 ~~RESIDENT IN DIFFERENT COUNTIES. IF MORE THAN ONE SHEET IS USED,~~
22 ~~THEY SHALL BE BOUND TOGETHER WHEN OFFERED FOR FILING IF THEY ARE~~
23 ~~INTENDED TO CONSTITUTE ONE PETITION, AND EACH SHEET SHALL BE~~
24 ~~NUMBERED CONSECUTIVELY BEGINNING WITH NUMBER ONE, AT THE FOOT OF~~
25 ~~EACH PAGE. IN CASES OF PETITIONS FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE~~
26 ~~DELEGATE TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, EACH SHEET SHALL CONTAIN A~~
27 ~~NOTATION INDICATING THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TO WHOM HE IS~~
28 ~~COMMITTED, IF AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A~~
29 ~~PARTY, OR THE TERM "UNCOMMITTED." EACH SHEET SHALL HAVE APPENDED~~
30 ~~THERE TO THE AFFIDAVIT OF THE CIRCULATOR OF EACH SHEET, SETTING~~

1 ~~FORTH—(A) THAT HE OR SHE IS A QUALIFIED ELECTOR DULY REGISTERED~~
2 ~~AND ENROLLED AS A MEMBER OF THE DESIGNATED PARTY OF THE STATE,~~
3 ~~OR OF THE POLITICAL DISTRICT, AS THE CASE MAY BE, REFERRED TO IN~~
4 ~~SAID PETITION, UNLESS SAID PETITION RELATES TO THE NOMINATION OF~~
5 ~~A JUDICIAL CANDIDATE IN WHICH EVENT THE CIRCULATOR NEED NOT BE A~~
6 ~~DULY REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBER OF THE DESIGNATED PARTY; (B)~~
7 ~~HIS RESIDENCE, GIVING CITY, BOROUGH OR TOWNSHIP, WITH STREET AND~~
8 ~~NUMBER, IF ANY; (C) THAT THE SIGNERS THERETO SIGNED WITH FULL~~
9 ~~KNOWLEDGE OF THE CONTENTS OF THE PETITION; (D) THAT THEIR~~
10 ~~RESPECTIVE RESIDENCES ARE CORRECTLY STATED THEREIN; (E) THAT~~
11 ~~THEY ALL RESIDE IN THE COUNTY NAMED IN THE AFFIDAVIT; (F) THAT~~
12 ~~EACH SIGNED ON THE DATE SET OPPOSITE HIS NAME; AND (G) THAT, TO~~
13 ~~THE BEST OF AFFIANT'S KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THE SIGNERS ARE~~
14 ~~QUALIFIED ELECTORS AND DULY REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBERS OF~~
15 ~~THE DESIGNATED PARTY OF THE STATE, OR OF THE POLITICAL DISTRICT,~~
16 ~~AS THE CASE MAY BE.~~

17 ~~SECTION 4. SECTION 910 OF THE ACT, AMENDED JUNE 27, 1974~~
18 ~~(P.L.413, NO.146), IS AMENDED TO READ:~~

19 ~~SECTION 910. AFFIDAVITS OF CANDIDATES. EACH CANDIDATE FOR~~
20 ~~ANY STATE, COUNTY, CITY, BOROUGH, INCORPORATED TOWN, TOWNSHIP,~~
21 ~~WARD, SCHOOL DISTRICT, POOR DISTRICT, ELECTION DISTRICT, PARTY~~
22 ~~OFFICE, PARTY DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE, OR FOR THE OFFICE OF UNITED~~
23 ~~STATES SENATOR OR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, SHALL FILE WITH~~
24 ~~HIS NOMINATION PETITION HIS AFFIDAVIT STATING—(A) HIS~~
25 ~~RESIDENCE, WITH STREET AND NUMBER, IF ANY, AND HIS POST OFFICE~~
26 ~~ADDRESS; (B) HIS ELECTION DISTRICT, GIVING CITY, BOROUGH, TOWN~~
27 ~~OR TOWNSHIP; (C) THE NAME OF THE OFFICE FOR WHICH HE CONSENTS TO~~
28 ~~BE A CANDIDATE; (D) THAT HE IS ELIGIBLE FOR SUCH OFFICE; (E)~~
29 ~~THAT HE WILL NOT KNOWINGLY VIOLATE ANY PROVISION OF THIS ACT, OR~~
30 ~~OF ANY LAW REGULATING AND LIMITING NOMINATION AND ELECTION~~

1 ~~EXPENSES AND PROHIBITING CORRUPT PRACTICES IN CONNECTION~~
2 ~~THEREWITH; (F) UNLESS HE IS A CANDIDATE FOR JUDGE OF A COURT OF~~
3 ~~RECORD, OR FOR THE OFFICE OF SCHOOL DIRECTOR IN A DISTRICT WHERE~~
4 ~~THAT OFFICE IS ELECTIVE OR FOR THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE OF THE~~
5 ~~PEACE THAT HE IS NOT A CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION FOR THE SAME~~
6 ~~OFFICE OF ANY PARTY OTHER THAN THE ONE DESIGNATED IN SUCH~~
7 ~~PETITION; (G) IF HE IS A CANDIDATE FOR A DELEGATE, OR ALTERNATE~~
8 ~~DELEGATE, MEMBER OF STATE COMMITTEE, NATIONAL COMMITTEE OR PARTY~~
9 ~~OFFICER, THAT HE IS A REGISTERED AND ENROLLED MEMBER OF THE~~
10 ~~DESIGNATED PARTY; AND (H) IF HE IS A CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE OR~~
11 ~~ALTERNATE DELEGATE THE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TO WHOM HE IS~~
12 ~~COMMITTED, IF AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A~~
13 ~~PARTY, OR THE TERM "UNCOMMITTED." IN CASES OF PETITIONS FOR~~
14 ~~DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO NATIONAL CONVENTIONS, THE~~
15 ~~CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT SHALL STATE THAT HIS SIGNATURE TO THE~~
16 ~~DELEGATE'S STATEMENT, AS HEREINAFTER SET FORTH, IF SUCH~~
17 ~~STATEMENT IS SIGNED BY SAID CANDIDATE, WAS AFFIXED TO THE SHEET~~
18 ~~OR SHEETS OF SAID PETITION PRIOR TO THE CIRCULATION OF SAME. IN~~
19 ~~THE CASE OF A CANDIDATE FOR NOMINATION AS PRESIDENT OF THE~~
20 ~~UNITED STATES, IT SHALL NOT BE NECESSARY FOR SUCH CANDIDATE TO~~
21 ~~FILE THE AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED IN THIS SECTION TO BE FILED BY~~
22 ~~CANDIDATES, BUT THE POST OFFICE ADDRESS OF SUCH CANDIDATE SHALL~~
23 ~~BE STATED IN SUCH NOMINATION PETITION.~~

24 ~~SECTION 5. SECTION 911 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 22, 1971~~
25 ~~(P.L.613, NO.165), IS AMENDED TO READ:~~

26 ~~SECTION 911. STATEMENT OF CANDIDATES FOR DELEGATES TO~~
27 ~~NATIONAL CONVENTIONS. [EACH] IF THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A~~
28 ~~PARTY SO PROVIDE, EACH CANDIDATE FOR ELECTION AS DELEGATE OR~~
29 ~~ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO A NATIONAL PARTY CONVENTION MAY INCLUDE,~~
30 ~~WITH HIS AFFIDAVIT, THE STATEMENT HEREINAFTER SET FORTH IN THIS~~

1 ~~SECTION; BUT HIS FAILURE TO INCLUDE SUCH STATEMENT SHALL NOT BE~~
2 ~~A VALID GROUND, ON THE PART OF THE SECRETARY OF THE~~
3 ~~COMMONWEALTH, FOR REFUSAL TO RECEIVE AND FILE HIS NOMINATION~~
4 ~~PETITION. SUCH STATEMENT, IF SIGNED, SHALL BE SIGNED ON ALL THE~~
5 ~~SHEETS OF SAID PETITION, TOGETHER WITH THE DATE OF SIGNING AND~~
6 ~~SHALL BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:~~

7 ~~DELEGATE'S STATEMENT~~

8 ~~I HEREBY DECLARE TO THE VOTERS OF MY POLITICAL PARTY IN THE~~
9 ~~{HERE INSERT "STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA," IF A DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE~~
10 ~~DELEGATE AT LARGE; OTHERWISE, INSERT "-----DISTRICT"} THAT, IF~~
11 ~~ELECTED AND IN ATTENDANCE AS A DELEGATE TO THE NATIONAL~~
12 ~~CONVENTION OF THE PARTY, I SHALL, WITH ALL FIDELITY, TO THE BEST~~
13 ~~OF MY JUDGMENT AND ABILITY, IN ALL MATTERS COMING BEFORE THE~~
14 ~~CONVENTION, SUPPORT {HERE INSERT NAME OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE}~~
15 ~~FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND SHALL USE ALL HONORABLE~~
16 ~~MEANS WITHIN MY POWER TO AID IN SECURING THE NOMINATION FOR SUCH~~
17 ~~CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT.~~

18 ~~.....~~

19 ~~{SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE,~~
20 ~~AND DATE OF SIGNING.}~~

21 ~~ON THE BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS USED AT A PRIMARY, AFTER OR~~
22 ~~UNDER THE NAME OF EACH CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE~~
23 ~~DELEGATE TO A NATIONAL PARTY CONVENTION, SHALL APPEAR THE WORDS~~
24 ~~"COMMITTED TO {HERE INSERT NAME OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE}," IF~~
25 ~~AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY, OR~~
26 ~~"UNCOMMITTED" ACCORDING TO WHETHER THE CANDIDATE INCLUDED, OR~~
27 ~~FAILED TO INCLUDE, THE ABOVE STATEMENT WITH HIS AFFIDAVIT.~~

28 ~~SECTION 6. SECTION 913 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A~~
29 ~~SUBSECTION TO READ:~~

1 ~~Section 913. Place and Time of Filing Nomination Petitions;~~
2 ~~Filing Fees. * * *~~

3 ~~(c) The office in which a nomination petition is filed shall~~
4 ~~issue to the person filing the nomination petition a receipt~~
5 ~~containing the date and time of filing, the name of the~~
6 ~~candidate and the office for which he is a candidate.~~

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8 ~~SECTION 7. SECTION 916 OF THE ACT, AMENDED DECEMBER 22, 1971~~ <—
9 ~~(P.L.613, NO.165), IS AMENDED TO READ:~~

10 ~~SECTION 916. SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH TO FURNISH COUNTY~~
11 ~~BOARDS WITH LIST OF CANDIDATES; CANDIDATES TO BE NOTIFIED. THE~~
12 ~~SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE~~
13 ~~LAST DAY FIXED FOR THE FILING OF NOMINATION PETITIONS WITH HIM,~~
14 ~~AND AFTER THE LAST DAY FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDATES FILING~~
15 ~~SUCH NOMINATION PETITIONS, AND AFTER THE CANDIDATES SHALL HAVE~~
16 ~~CAST LOTS FOR THE POSITION OF THEIR NAMES UPON THE PRIMARY~~
17 ~~BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS, SHALL FORWARD TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF~~
18 ~~EACH COUNTY A CORRECT LIST OF CANDIDATES OF EACH PARTY FOR THE~~
19 ~~VARIOUS OFFICES, IN THE ORDER IN WHICH THEY ARE TO APPEAR UPON~~
20 ~~THE OFFICIAL BALLOTS OR BALLOT LABELS, WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE~~
21 ~~RESIDENCES, GIVING CITY, BOROUGH, TOWN OR TOWNSHIP, AND POST~~
22 ~~OFFICE ADDRESSES AS SHOWN IN THEIR AFFIDAVITS; AND SHALL ALSO AT~~
23 ~~THE SAME TIME NOTIFY THE SAID CANDIDATES BY MAIL THAT THEIR~~
24 ~~NAMES HAVE BEEN SO CERTIFIED TO SAID COUNTY BOARDS. IN THE CASE~~
25 ~~OF EACH CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO A~~
26 ~~NATIONAL PARTY CONVENTION, THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH~~
27 ~~SHALL CERTIFY AS TO WHETHER SUCH CANDIDATE HAS INCLUDED WITH HIS~~
28 ~~AFFIDAVIT THE STATEMENT PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 911 OF THIS ACT~~
29 ~~AND IN CASES WHERE SUCH CANDIDATE HAS COMMITTED HIMSELF TO A~~
30 ~~PARTICULAR PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE, THE NAME OF THE PRESIDENTIAL~~

~~CANDIDATE TO WHOM HE IS COMMITTED, IF SUCH HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED
BY THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A PARTY.~~

~~SECTION 8. SECTION 953 OF THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A
SUBSECTION TO READ:~~

~~Section 953. Place and Time of Filing Nomination Papers.~~

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~~(d) The office in which a nomination paper is filed shall
issue to the person filing the nomination paper a receipt
containing the date and time of filing, the name of the
candidate and the office for which he is a candidate.~~

~~SECTION 9. SUBSECTION (A) OF SECTION 1002 AND SUBSECTION (H) ~~OF SECTION 1110, AMENDED DECEMBER 22, 1971 (P.L.613, NO.165),
ARE AMENDED TO READ:~~~~

~~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 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)~~

1 ~~JOHN DOE~~
2 ~~RICHARD ROE~~
3 ~~JOHN STILES~~

4 ~~UNITED STATES SENATOR.~~
5 ~~(VOTE FOR ONE)~~

6 ~~JOHN DOE~~
7 ~~RICHARD ROE~~
8 ~~JOHN STILES~~

9 ~~GOVERNOR.~~
10 ~~(VOTE FOR ONE)~~

11 ~~JOHN DOE~~
12 ~~RICHARD ROE~~
13 ~~JOHN STILES~~

14 ~~REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS....DISTRICT.~~
15 ~~(VOTE FOR ONE)~~

16 ~~JOHN DOE~~
17 ~~RICHARD ROE~~
18 ~~JOHN STILES~~

19 ~~DELEGATES AT LARGE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION.~~
20 ~~(VOTE FOR.....)~~

21 ~~JOHN DOE~~
22 ~~(COMMITTED TO JEREMIAH SMITH)*~~

1 ~~JOHN STILES~~

2 ~~{UNCOMMITTED}~~

3 ~~DELEGATE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION.....DISTRICT.~~

4 ~~{VOTE FOR.....}~~

5 ~~JOHN DOE~~

6 ~~{COMMITTED TO JEREMIAH SMITH}*~~

7 ~~JOHN STILES~~

8 ~~{UNCOMMITTED}~~

9 ~~SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.....DISTRICT.~~

10 ~~{VOTE FOR ONE}~~

11 ~~JOHN DOE~~

12 ~~RICHARD ROE~~

13 ~~JOHN STILES~~

14 ~~MEMBER OF STATE COMMITTEE.~~

15 ~~{VOTE FOR ONE}~~

16 ~~JOHN DOE~~

17 ~~RICHARD ROE~~

18 ~~JOHN STILES~~

19 ~~PARTY COMMITTEEMEN.~~

20 ~~{VOTE FOR.....}~~

21 ~~JOHN DOE~~

22 ~~RICHARD ROE~~

1 JOHN STILES

2 ~~*IF COMMITMENT HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE COMMITTEE~~
3 ~~RULES OF A PARTY.~~

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

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7 (H) ~~THE NAMES OF ALL CANDIDATES OF A POLITICAL PARTY SHALL~~
8 ~~APPEAR IN THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN, AND EXCEPT IN CASES OF NAMES~~
9 ~~OF PRESIDENTIAL COMMITMENTS OF NOMINEES FOR DELEGATE OR~~
10 ~~ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO POLITICAL PARTY NATIONAL CONVENTIONS NO~~
11 ~~OTHER NAMES SHALL APPEAR IN THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN, TO THE LEFT~~
12 ~~OR TOP OF WHICH SHALL BE A STRAIGHT PARTY LEVER, BY MEANS OF~~
13 ~~WHICH AN ELECTOR MAY, IN ONE OPERATION, VOTE FOR ALL THE~~
14 ~~CANDIDATES OF THAT POLITICAL PARTY FOR EVERY OFFICE TO BE VOTED~~
15 ~~FOR. WHERE, AS AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE COMMITTEE RULES OF A~~
16 ~~PARTY, THE NAMES OF THE DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE AND THE~~
17 ~~PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE HE IS SUPPORTING SHALL BOTH APPEAR, THE~~
18 ~~PRINT SIZE OF THE NAME OF THE DELEGATE OR ALTERNATE DELEGATE~~
19 ~~SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE SIZE OF THE NAME OF THE PARTICULAR~~
20 ~~PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE TO WHOM HE IS COMMITTED, OR IN THE CASE~~
21 ~~WHERE HE IS UNCOMMITTED, THE WORD "UNCOMMITTED" SHALL APPEAR IN~~
22 ~~THE SAME SIZE PRINT. THE NAMES OF SUCH CANDIDATES SHALL BE~~
23 ~~ARRANGED UNDER OR OPPOSITE THE TITLE OF THE OFFICE FOR WHICH~~
24 ~~THEY ARE CANDIDATES, AND SHALL APPEAR IN THE ORDER OF THE VOTES~~
25 ~~OBTAINED BY THE CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OF THE PARTY NOMINATED AT~~
26 ~~THE LAST GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION, BEGINNING WITH THE PARTY~~
27 ~~OBTAINING THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT~~
28 ~~IN THE CASE OF PARTIES OR BODIES NOT REPRESENTED ON THE BALLOT~~
29 ~~AT THE LAST GUBERNATORIAL ELECTION, THE NAMES OF THE CANDIDATES~~
30 ~~OF SUCH PARTIES SHALL BE ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY, ACCORDING TO~~

1 ~~THE PARTY OR BODY NAME. THE NAMES OF ALL CANDIDATES OF A~~
2 ~~POLITICAL BODY SHALL APPEAR IN THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN, AND, IF~~
3 ~~THE NUMBER OF PARTIES AND BODIES PERMITS, EACH POLITICAL BODY~~
4 ~~SHALL BE ENTITLED EXCLUSIVELY TO A SEPARATE ROW OR COLUMN, WITH~~
5 ~~A STRAIGHT PARTY LEVER. IF, HOWEVER, THE NUMBER OF POLITICAL~~
6 ~~PARTIES AND POLITICAL BODIES RENDERS IT IMPOSSIBLE OR~~
7 ~~IMPRACTICABLE TO SO ARRANGE THE POLITICAL BODIES, IN SUCH CASE~~
8 ~~SAID BODIES SHALL NOT BE ENTITLED TO A SEPARATE ROW OR COLUMN~~
9 ~~AND A STRAIGHT PARTY LEVER, BUT SHALL BE LISTED BY POLITICAL~~
10 ~~APPELLATIONS ON THE FIRST LEFT HAND OR TOP ROW, WITH THE~~
11 ~~DESIGNATING LETTER AND NUMBER OF THE BALLOT LABEL WHERE THEIR~~
12 ~~CANDIDATES MAY BE FOUND, TOGETHER WITH THE POLITICAL~~
13 ~~APPELLATIONS OF OTHER POLITICAL BODIES, WHOSE CANDIDATES MAY BE~~
14 ~~INTERSPERSED ON THE SAME ROW OR COLUMN. SUBJECT TO THE AFORESAID~~
15 ~~LIMITATIONS, THE FORM AND ARRANGEMENT OF BALLOT LABELS, AS TO~~
16 ~~THE PLACING THEREON OF POLITICAL BODIES, SHALL BE WITHIN THE~~
17 ~~DISCRETION OF THE COUNTY BOARD.~~

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19 ~~SECTION 1. THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, NO.320), KNOWN~~
20 ~~AS THE "PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE," IS AMENDED BY ADDING~~
21 ~~SECTIONS TO READ:~~

22 ~~SECTION 418. TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ELECTION OFFICIALS. (A)~~
23 ~~THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH ALL~~
24 ~~THE COUNTY ELECTION BOARDS, SHALL DEVELOP AN AFFECTIVE PROGRAM~~
25 ~~FOR TRAINING INDIVIDUALS WHO SERVE IN THE VARIOUS ELECTION~~
26 ~~DISTRICTS AS JUDGES OF ELECTION, INSPECTORS, CLERKS OF ELECTION,~~
27 ~~MACHINE INSPECTORS AND THE STAFF OF EACH COUNTY ELECTION BOARD.~~
28 ~~THE PROPOSED TRAINING PROGRAM SHALL ADDRESS THE MAJOR PROBLEMS~~
29 ~~ENCOUNTERED IN RUNNING AN ELECTION AND SHALL RELY ON LECTURES~~
30 ~~AND THE USE OF TRAINING AIDS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO~~

~~POSTERS, TAPES, FILMS, SLIDES AND OTHER MATERIALS FOR
DEMONSTRATION PURPOSES.~~

~~(B) THE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ELECTION OFFICIALS SHALL BE
ADMINISTERED BY THE RESPECTIVE COUNTY ELECTION BOARDS. MEETINGS
SHALL BE HELD AT SUCH TIMES AND IN SUCH PLACES AS THE COUNTY
BOARD DEEMS NECESSARY TO INSURE THE PARTICIPATION OF ALL
INDIVIDUALS WHO SERVE AS DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICIALS. MATERIALS
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRAINING PROGRAM SHALL BE RECEIVED
FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH ON A FIRST COME, FIRST
SERVE BASIS.~~

~~(C) EACH INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ELECTED OR APPOINTED AS A
DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICIAL AND ATTENDS THE TRAINING PROGRAM
OFFERED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL BE ENTITLED TO
RECEIVE A SUM OF TEN DOLLARS (\$10.00) PER TWO HOUR SESSION OF
TRAINING FOR EACH SESSION ATTENDED. SUCH PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE
TO THE INDIVIDUAL BY THE COUNTY ELECTION BOARD. THE COUNTY BOARD
OF ELECTIONS SHALL BE REIMBURSED BY THE SECRETARY OF THE
COMMONWEALTH SUCH SUMS EXPENDED IN THE TRAINING OF DISTRICT
ELECTION OFFICERS UPON PRESENTATION AND CERTIFICATION OF SUCH
INFORMATION AND ON SUCH FORMS AS THE SECRETARY MAY PRESCRIBE.~~

~~SECTION 1012. STATE REIMBURSEMENT FOR BALLOTS CAST. THE
COMMONWEALTH SHALL REIMBURSE EACH COUNTY IN THE AMOUNT OF
SEVENTY FIVE CENTS (75¢) FOR EACH BALLOT CAST AT THE PRIMARY AND
GENERAL ELECTIONS CONDUCTED IN EVEN NUMBERED YEARS. THE COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF EACH COUNTY SHALL CERTIFY TO THE SECRETARY
OF STATE AFTER EACH SUCH PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTION THE NUMBER
OF BALLOTS CAST THEREAT.~~

~~Section 2 10 2. This act shall take effect immediately.~~

SECTION 1. SECTION 532, ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,
NO.320), KNOWN AS THE "PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE," ADDED APRIL

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1 2, 1965 (P.L.7, NO.7), IS REENACTED AND AMENDED TO READ:

2 SECTION 532. WARDS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS MAY BE
3 CREATED, DIVIDED, REALIGNED, OR CONSOLIDATED.--

4 (A) WARDS IN A CITY OF THE FIRST CLASS MAY BE CREATED,
5 DIVIDED, REALIGNED OR CONSOLIDATED, BY THE [COURT OF QUARTER
6 SESSIONS] COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH SAID CITY
7 IS LOCATED, UPON APPLICATION THERETO FOR THOSE PURPOSES BY THE
8 PETITION OF AT LEAST A TOTAL OF ONE HUNDRED QUALIFIED ELECTORS
9 FROM THE WARD OR WARDS SOUGHT TO BE AFFECTED, OR OF THE COUNCIL
10 OF SUCH CITY.

11 (B) UPON SUCH PETITION, THE SAID COURT SHALL APPOINT FIVE
12 IMPARTIAL PERSONS AS A COMMISSION TO INQUIRE INTO AND CONSIDER
13 THE MERITS OF SAID PETITION, BY SUCH PROCEDURE AS SAID COURT
14 SHALL DIRECT, TO INSPECT THE WARD OR WARDS SOUGHT TO BE
15 AFFECTED, AND TO PREPARE A PLAN OF THE WARD OR WARDS PROPOSED TO
16 BE CREATED, DIVIDED, REALIGNED OR CONSOLIDATED.

17 (C) SAID COMMISSION SHALL SUBMIT ITS REPORT AND PLAN WITHIN
18 SUCH TIME AS SHALL BE FIXED BY THE SAID COURT.

19 (D) UNLESS AT LEAST FOUR OF SAID COMMISSIONERS REPORT
20 FAVORABLY UPON SAID PETITION AND AGREE UPON AN IMPLEMENTING
21 PLAN, SAID PETITION SHALL BE DISMISSED BY SAID COURT AND THE
22 SUBJECT OR SUBJECTS OF SAID PETITION SHALL NOT BE RECONSIDERED
23 FOR AT LEAST TWO YEARS FROM THE DATE OF SUCH DISMISSAL.

24 (E) [IN THE EVENT AT LEAST FOUR OF SAID COMMISSIONERS SHALL
25 REPORT FAVORABLY UPON SAID PETITION AND AGREE UPON AN
26 IMPLEMENTING PLAN, SAID COURT SHALL ENTER A PRELIMINARY ORDER
27 EFFECTUATING SAME: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT NO] NO FINAL [ORDER]
28 PLAN SHALL BE ENTERED UNTIL AT LEAST TEN DAYS AFTER NOTICE TO
29 THE ELECTORS IN THE WARDS TO BE AFFECTED THEREBY. SUCH NOTICE
30 SHALL BE IN THE MANNER, FORM AND MEANS DIRECTED BY [SAID COURT]

1 THE COMMISSION, SHALL STATE THE DATE OF CONSIDERATION BY THE
2 [COURT] COMMISSION AND SHALL CONTAIN A WARNING THAT ALL
3 OBJECTIONS TO SAID REPORT AND PLAN MUST BE SET FORTH IN WRITING
4 AND FILED WITH THE [CLERK OF THE COURT] COMMISSION PRIOR TO SUCH
5 DATE.

6 (F) ON OR AFTER SUCH GIVEN DATE, THE [COURT SHALL ENTER SUCH
7 FINAL ORDER AS TO IT APPEARS JUST AND REASONABLE AND] COMMISSION
8 SHALL PREPARE A FINAL PLAN WHICH WILL BEST SERVE THE PUBLIC
9 INTEREST, SHALL NUMBER THE NEW WARD OR WARDS AND SHALL CAUSE A
10 CERTIFIED COPY OF THE WHOLE PROCEEDINGS TO BE PLACED OF RECORD
11 AMONG THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND WITH THE MAYOR OF SAID
12 CITY.

13 (G) IN THE EVENT THAT ANY FINAL PLAN SHALL AFFECT LESS THAN
14 FIFTY (50) PER CENTUM OF THE WARDS IN EXISTENCE PRIOR TO THE
15 PREPARATION OF SAID PLAN, THE CITY COUNCIL, UPON RECEIPT OF SAID
16 PLAN FROM THE COMMISSION, SHALL CAUSE THE SAME TO BE PLACED UPON
17 THE BALLOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY VOTE OF
18 THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE WARD OR WARDS DIVIDED, CREATED,
19 CONSOLIDATED OR REALIGNED BY SAID PLAN AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION
20 NEXT FOLLOWING THE PREPARATION OF SAID PLAN.

21 (H) IN THE EVENT THAT ANY FINAL PLAN SHALL AFFECT FIFTY (50)
22 PER CENTUM OR MORE OF THE WARDS IN EXISTENCE PRIOR TO THE
23 PREPARATION OF SAID PLAN, THE CITY COUNCIL UPON RECEIPT OF SAID
24 PLAN FROM THE COMMISSION, SHALL CAUSE THE SAME TO BE PLACED UPON
25 THE BALLOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPROVAL OR REJECTION BY VOTE OF
26 THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION NEXT
27 FOLLOWING THE PREPARATION OF SAID PLAN.

28 (I) NO PLAN DIVIDING, CREATING, CONSOLIDATING OR REALIGNING
29 ANY WARD SHALL BE VALID OR TAKE EFFECT UNLESS APPROVED BY THE
30 VOTE OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS AS PROVIDED BY SUBSECTIONS (G) OR

1 (H) OF THIS ACT, WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE.

2 [(G)] (J) UPON THE APPOINTMENT OF SAID COMMISSION, IT SHALL
3 PREPARE AND SUBMIT TO THE SAID COURT, FOR CONSIDERATION AND
4 APPROVAL, A PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE EXPENSES INVOLVED IN
5 CONNECTION WITH ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS. AFTER THE FILING OF
6 ITS REPORT, THE COMMISSION SHALL PREPARE AND SUBMIT TO SAID
7 COURT FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL, ITS REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE
8 OF FEES AND ANY SUPPLEMENTAL EXPENSES. UPON APPROVAL OF THESE
9 ITEMS, SAID COURT SHALL ENTER AN ORDER DIRECTING PAYMENT BY SAID
10 CITY.

11 SECTION 2. SECTION 1 CONTAINING THE AMENDATORY PROVISIONS OF
12 SECTION 532 SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY, BUT SHALL ALSO APPLY
13 TO ANY COMMISSION APPOINTED, OR ANY COMMISSION PLAN PENDING, OR
14 TO BE SUBMITTED, OR IS SUBMITTED, PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
15 THIS AMENDATORY ACT, IF SUCH PLAN HAS NOT BECOME FINAL IN
16 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 532 OF THE ACT IN EXISTENCE PRIOR TO THE
17 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDATORY SECTION.