
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL
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INTRODUCED BY DiCARLO, DOMBROWSKI, D. S. HAYES AND BELLOMINI,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JUNE 14, 1976

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, excluding law enforcement officers from the
3 general supervisory and administrative authority of the
4 Supreme Court.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby resolves as follows:

7 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
8 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with
9 the provisions of Article XI thereof:

10 That section 10 (c) of Article V of the Constitution of the
11 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended to read:

12 Section 10. Judicial Administration.--* * *

13 (c) The Supreme Court shall have the power to prescribe
14 general rules governing practice, procedure and the conduct of
15 all courts and justices of the peace [and all officers serving
16 process or enforcing orders, judgments or decrees of any court
17 or justice of the peace] including the power to provide for
18 assignment and reassignment of classes of actions or classes of
19 appeals among the several courts as the needs of justice shall

1 require, and for admission to the bar and to practice law, and
2 the administration of all courts and supervision of all officers
3 of the judicial branch, if such rules are consistent with this
4 Constitution and neither abridge, enlarge nor modify the
5 substantive rights of any litigant, nor affect the right of the
6 General Assembly to determine the jurisdiction of any court or
7 justice of the peace, nor suspend nor alter any statute of
8 limitation or repose. All laws shall be suspended to the extent
9 that they are inconsistent with rules prescribed under these
10 provisions.

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12 Section 2. This resolution shall take effect upon approval
13 of the amendment by the electors.