THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 287

Session of 1977

INTRODUCED BY A. K. HUTCHINSON, FEBRUARY 9, 1977

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 9, 1977

A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
- of Pennsylvania authorizing political activity by judges.
- 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 4 hereby resolves as follows:
- 5 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
- 6 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with
- 7 the provisions of Article XI thereof:
- 8 That subsection (a) of section 17, Article V be amended to
- 9 read:
- 10 § 17. Prohibited activities.
- 11 (a) Justices and judges shall devote full time to their
- 12 judicial duties, and shall not engage in the practice of law [,
- 13 hold office in a political party or organization,] or hold an
- 14 office or position of profit in the government of the United
- 15 States, the Commonwealth or any municipal corporation or
- 16 political subdivision thereof, except in the armed service of
- 17 the United States or the Commonwealth.
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