

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 847 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY PETRONE, KOSINSKI, PESCI, BUNT AND GIGLIOTTI,
MARCH 19, 1991

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MARCH 19, 1991

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled
2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal,
3 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates,
4 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating
5 and defining membership of county boards of elections;
6 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
7 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners;
8 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying,
9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and
10 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to
11 elections," further providing for election expenses.

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

14 Section 1. Section 1634.1 of the act of June 3, 1937
15 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code,
16 amended July 11, 1980 (P.L.591, No.127), is amended to read:

17 Section 1634.1. Lawful Election Expenses.--(a) No
18 candidate, chairman or treasurer of any political committee
19 shall make or agree to make any expenditure or incur any
20 liability, except as provided in section 1621(d).

21 (b) No candidate shall make an expenditure or incur a
22 liability, nor have an expenditure made or a liability incurred

1 on his behalf, in an amount exceeding twenty-five cents (\$.25)
2 times the number of qualified electors who can vote in the
3 election in which the candidate is running. The number of
4 qualified electors shall be determined as of the previous
5 election. If a candidate runs for the same office in a primary
6 election and in a general election or a municipal election in
7 the same year, the limitation of this subsection shall be
8 divided in half so that no more than fifty per centum (50%) of
9 the amount shall be expended or obligated in each election.

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