

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1248 Session of 1993

INTRODUCED BY LESCOVITZ, PISTELLA, BATTISTO, D. W. SNYDER AND MERRY, APRIL 19, 1993

SENATOR PECORA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED, FEBRUARY 7, 1994

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), entitled
2 "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth,
3 sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising,
4 consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto,"
5 PROVIDING FOR THE ABOLITION OF JURY COMMISSIONERS; AND
6 further providing for contract procedures.

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7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. ~~The introductory paragraph of subsection (h) of
10 section 1802 of the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130),
11 known as The County Code, amended July 10, 1990 (P.L.379,
12 No.89), is amended to read:~~

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13 SECTION 1. SECTION 401 OF THE ACT OF AUGUST 9, 1955
14 (P.L.323, NO.130), KNOWN AS THE COUNTY CODE, IS AMENDED BY
15 ADDING SUBSECTIONS TO READ:

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16 SECTION 401. ENUMERATION OF ELECTED OFFICERS.--* * *

17 (D) THE OFFICE OF JURY COMMISSIONER MAY BE ABOLISHED AT THE
18 OPTION OF EACH COUNTY BY REFERENDUM, WHENEVER ELECTORS EQUAL TO

1 AT LEAST FIVE PER CENTUM OF THE HIGHEST VOTE CAST FOR ANY OFFICE
2 IN THE COUNTY AT THE LAST PRECEDING GENERAL ELECTION SHALL FILE
3 A PETITION WITH THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF THE COUNTY, OR
4 THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY ADOPTS, BY A MAJORITY VOTE, A
5 RESOLUTION TO PLACE SUCH A QUESTION ON THE BALLOT AND A COPY OF
6 THE RESOLUTION IS FILED WITH THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF THE
7 COUNTY FOR A REFERENDUM ON THE QUESTION OF ABOLISHING THE OFFICE
8 OF JURY COMMISSIONER.

9 (E) PROCEEDINGS UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE
10 WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,
11 NO.320), KNOWN AS THE "PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION CODE."

12 SECTION 2. THE INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH OF SECTION 1802(H) OF
13 THE ACT, AMENDED JULY 10, 1990 (P.L.379, NO.89), IS AMENDED TO
14 READ:

15 Section 1802. Contract Procedures; Terms and Bonds;
16 Advertising for Bids.--* * *

17 (h) The contracts or purchases made by the commissioners
18 [involving an expenditure of over ten thousand dollars
19 (\$10,000)] which shall not require advertising [or] bidding or
20 price quotations, as hereinbefore provided, are as follows:

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22 SECTION 3. (A) THE OFFICE OF JURY COMMISSIONER SHALL
23 EXPIRE AT THE COMPLETION OF THE CURRENT JURY COMMISSIONERS'
24 TERMS OF OFFICE.

25 (B) THE REFERENDUM PROVIDED IN SECTION 401(D) OF THE ACT
26 SHALL TAKE PLACE IN ANY YEAR IN WHICH THE OFFICE OF JURY
27 COMMISSIONER IS NOT ON THE BALLOT.

28 Section ~~2~~ 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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