THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2641 Session of 2000

INTRODUCED BY McGILL, ARMSTRONG, BARRAR, BELARDI, BENNINGHOFF, BUNT, M. COHEN, FREEMAN, GEORGE, GODSHALL, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, LEVDANSKY, MAHER, McCALL, MELIO, ORIE, SEMMEL, SHANER, STEELMAN, TIGUE, TULLI, WATERS AND YOUNGBLOOD, JUNE 14, 2000

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, JUNE 14, 2000

A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
- of Pennsylvania, repealing uniformity of taxation.
- 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 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:
- 7 That section 1 of Article VIII be amended to read:
- 8 [§ 1. Uniformity of taxation.
- 9 All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects,
- 10 within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax,
- 11 and shall be levied and collected under general laws.]
- 12 Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General
- 13 Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the
- 14 Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to
- 15 comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article
- 16 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the

- 1 required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in
- 2 which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after
- 3 passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.
- 4 (b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this
- 5 proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the
- 6 Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the
- 7 advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
- 8 Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required
- 9 advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such
- 10 newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of
- 11 this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the
- 12 Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment
- 13 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first
- 14 primary, general or municipal election occurring at least three
- 15 months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by
- 16 the General Assembly.