

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2265 Session of
2002

INTRODUCED BY LEWIS, ARMSTRONG, BARRAR, CAPPELLI, COLEMAN,
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VITALI AND WILT, JANUARY 4, 2002

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 4, 2002

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 additional powers and
12 duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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

15 Section 1. Section 1640 of the act of June 3, 1937
16 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code,
17 added October 4, 1978 (P.L.893, No.171), is amended to read:

18 Section 1640. Additional Powers and Duties of the Secretary
19 of the Commonwealth.--The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
20 have the following additional powers and duties:

21 (1) To serve as the State clearing house for information

1 concerning the administration of this act.

2 (2) To prescribe suitable rules and regulations to carry out
3 the provisions of this act.

4 (3) To develop the prescribed forms required by the
5 provisions of this article for the making of the reports and
6 statements required to be filed with the supervisor.

7 (4) To prepare a manual setting forth recommended uniform
8 methods of bookkeeping and reporting which shall be furnished by
9 the supervisor to the person required to file such reports and
10 statements as required by this article.

11 (5) To examine the contributions to State legislative and
12 Statewide candidates and publish a list of all those political
13 committees who have contributed to candidates and who have
14 failed to file reports as required by this act within six (6)
15 days of their failure to comply.

16 (6) To post on the Department of State's Internet site each
17 report or statement filed by a candidate or a candidate's
18 political committee with the secretary under section 1626 of
19 this act and to make such posting within twenty-four (24) hours
20 of the secretary's receipt of the report or statement.

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