

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL

No. 2283 Session of  
2015INTRODUCED BY ORTITAY, HENNESSEY, PHILLIPS-HILL, MASSER AND  
WARD, AUGUST 15, 2016

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, AUGUST 15, 2016

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth  
2 of Pennsylvania, in elections, further providing for  
3 disqualifications for service as election officer.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of  
7 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

8 (1) That section 12 of Article VII be amended to read:

9 § 12. Disqualifications for service as election officer.

10 No persons shall be qualified to serve as an election officer  
11 who shall hold, or shall within two months have held, any  
12 elected office[, appointment or employment] in or under the  
13 government of the United States, or of this State, or of any  
14 city, or county, or of any municipal board[, ] or commission [or  
15 trust in any city, save only notaries public and persons in the  
16 National Guard or in a reserve component of the armed forces of  
17 the United States]; nor shall any election officer be eligible  
18 to any civil office to be filled at an election at which he

1 shall serve, save only to such subordinate municipal or local  
2 offices, below the grade of city or county offices, as shall be  
3 designated by general law.

4 Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General  
5 Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the  
6 Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to  
7 comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article  
8 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the  
9 required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in  
10 which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after  
11 passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

12 (b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this  
13 proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the  
14 Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the  
15 advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the  
16 Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required  
17 advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such  
18 newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of  
19 this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the  
20 Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment  
21 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first  
22 primary, general or municipal election which meets the  
23 requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article  
24 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least  
25 three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is  
26 passed by the General Assembly.