

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1589 Session of 2017

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JUNE 28, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JUNE 28, 2017

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," in preparation for and conduct of primaries and
12 elections, further providing for regulations in force at
13 polling places.

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

16 Section 1. Section 1220(d) of the act of June 3, 1937
17 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is
18 amended to read:

19 Section 1220. Regulations in Force at Polling Places.--* * *

20 (d) All persons, except election officers, clerks, machine
21 inspectors, overseers, watchers, persons in the course of
22 voting, persons lawfully giving assistance to voters, and peace
23 and police officers, when permitted by the provisions of this

1 act, must remain at least [ten (10)] one hundred (100) feet
2 distant from the polling place during the progress of the
3 voting.

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5 Section 2. The amendment of section 1220(d) of the act shall
6 apply to elections held after the effective date of this
7 section.

8 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.