

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 284 Session of 2017

INTRODUCED BY BOSCOLA, COSTA, FONTANA, SCHWANK, LEACH AND  
RESCHENTHALER, APRIL 13, 2017

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 13, 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, providing for employment leave for voters.

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

15 Section 1. The act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known  
16 as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is amended by adding a  
17 section to read:

18 Section 1210.1. Employment Leave for Voters.--An employer in  
19 this Commonwealth shall permit an employe who is qualified and  
20 registered to vote in an election time off necessary to vote,  
21 not to exceed two hours' absence from work, on the day of the  
22 election. The employer may specify the hours during which the  
23 employe may be absent.

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