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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further providing for
3 definitions and for standardized forms; in registration
4 system, further providing for departmental responsibilities
5 and for SURE system; in voter registration, further providing
6 for qualifications to register, for methods of voter
7 registration, for application with driver's license
8 application and for government agencies, providing for same
9 day voter registration and for Commonwealth agencies and
10 other entities and further providing for time, for
11 preparation and distribution of applications and for approval
12 of registration applications; in changes in records, further
13 providing for removal notices and providing for effect of
14 inmates being released from correctional facilities; in
15 voting procedures, repealing provisions relating to
16 application for absentee ballots and providing for early
17 voting; providing for vote by mail and imposing penalties;
18 providing for voter education; and making related repeals.

19 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
20 hereby enacts as follows:

21 Section 1. The definitions of "applicant," "registration
22 card" and "registration records" in section 1102 of Title 25 of
23 the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended and the
24 section is amended by adding a definition to read:

1 § 1102. Definitions.

2 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent
3 provisions of this part which are applicable to specific
4 provisions of this part, the following words and phrases when
5 used in this part shall have the meanings given to them in this
6 section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

7 "Applicant." An individual who is automatically registered
8 or who applies to be registered to vote as provided for in this
9 part.

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11 "Employment or program application." All of the following:

12 (1) Any application for employment filed with any of the
13 following:

14 (i) The Bureau of State Employment.

15 (ii) An independent agency of this Commonwealth.

16 (iii) The State Civil Service Commission.

17 (2) An application for any financial assistance,
18 compensation, benefit or service available, offered or to
19 which the person is entitled pursuant to any program
20 administered by the following:

21 (i) The Department of Aging.

22 (ii) The Department of Health.

23 (iii) The Department of Human Services.

24 (iv) The Insurance Department.

25 (v) The Department of Labor and Industry.

26 (vi) The Department of Military and Veterans
27 Affairs.

28 (vii) The Department of Revenue.

29 (viii) The Treasury Department.

30 (ix) The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.

1 (x) Any other offices in this Commonwealth that
2 provide public assistance or that provide State-funded
3 programs primarily engaged in providing services to low-
4 income individuals, the elderly or persons with
5 disabilities.

6 (3) An application for admission to a State-owned or
7 State-related institution of higher education in this
8 Commonwealth.

9 (4) An application for financial assistance filed with
10 the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

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12 "Registration card." A registration record, including an
13 electronic record, containing all information required on the
14 registration application, including the elector's signature or
15 electronic signature, and suitable space for the insertion by
16 the appropriate official of the following information:

17 (1) The ward and election district of residence.

18 (2) The registrant's street address.

19 (3) Data required to be given upon removal from the
20 registrant's residence.

21 (4) The date of each election at which the registrant
22 votes.

23 (5) The number and letter of the stub of the ballot
24 issued to the registrant or the registrant's number in the
25 order of admission to the voting machines.

26 (6) The initials of the election officer who enters the
27 record of voting in the district register.

28 (7) Whether the registrant needs assistance to vote and,
29 if so, the nature of the disability.

30 "Registration records." The general register, district

1 register and any other record of registration, including an
2 electronic record, maintained by a commission. The term includes
3 any record maintained by the commission on the Statewide Uniform
4 Registry of Electors.

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6 Section 2. Sections 1105, 1201, 1222(c)(8), 1301, 1321, 1323
7 and 1325(b)(4) of Title 25 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
8 Statutes are amended to read:

9 § 1105. Standardized forms.

10 (a) General rule.--Whenever possible, the secretary shall
11 prescribe by regulation standardized voter registration or
12 [absentee] mail-in ballot application forms which may be used,
13 with prior approval by the secretary, by political bodies,
14 candidates and organized bodies of citizens in compliance with
15 both the provisions of this part and the act of June 3, 1937
16 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code.

17 (b) Prior approval.--The secretary shall develop a system
18 whereby political bodies, candidates and organized bodies of
19 citizens may receive prior approval of standardized forms
20 developed pursuant to subsection (a).

21 § 1201. Departmental responsibilities.

22 The department shall do all of the following:

23 (1) Provide for applicants to submit their voter
24 registration application to a commission, the Department of
25 Transportation and other agencies designated in section 1325
26 (relating to government agencies).

27 (2) Prescribe a procedure for the return of completed
28 voter registration applications from and the schedule by
29 which the Department of Transportation, the Department of
30 [Public Welfare] Human Services, armed forces recruitment

1 centers, Offices of the Clerk of Orphan's Court and all other
2 offices authorized under [this part to the secretary or the
3 appropriate commission.] sections 1323 (relating to automatic
4 registration with driver's license application), 1325
5 (relating to government agencies) and 1325.2 (relating to
6 Commonwealth agencies and other entities) to register
7 individuals to vote shall provide to the department
8 electronic records containing the legal name, age, residence
9 and citizenship information for, and the electronic signature
10 of, each individual who meets qualifications identified by
11 the secretary by guideline for automatic registration.

12 (3) Develop, establish, implement and administer a
13 Statewide Uniform Registry of Electors in accordance with
14 Subchapter B (relating to Statewide Uniform Registry of
15 Electors (SURE)).

16 (4) Promulgate regulations necessary to administer this
17 part.

18 § 1222. SURE system.

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20 (c) Requirements.--The SURE system shall be developed as a
21 single, uniform integrated computer system. All commissions
22 shall be connected electronically to the SURE system and shall
23 maintain their registration records in the system. The SURE
24 system shall, at a minimum, do all of the following:

25 * * *

26 (8) Provide for the electronic transfer of voter
27 registration information transmitted under section 1502
28 (relating to transfer of registration), completed voter
29 registration applications and changes of address in
30 accordance with this part.

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2 § 1301. Qualifications to register.

3 (a) Eligibility.--An individual who:

4 (1) will be at least 18 years of age on the day of the
5 next election[, who];

6 (2) has been a citizen of the United States for at least
7 one month prior to the next election [and who]; and

8 (3) has resided in this Commonwealth and the election
9 district where the individual offers to vote for at least 30
10 days prior to the next ensuing election [and has not been
11 confined in a penal institution for a conviction of a felony
12 within the last five years] shall be eligible to register as
13 provided in this chapter.

14 (a.1) Preregistration.--

15 (1) A person who is otherwise qualified to vote may
16 preregister on or after the person's 16th birthday and may
17 thereafter vote at any election occurring on or after the
18 person's 18th birthday or such earlier time as State law
19 permits.

20 (2) The preregistration of a person under 18 years of
21 age shall be marked with a code according to the person's
22 birth date and shall be automatically activated on the
23 person's 18th birthday or the date permitted by State law.

24 (3) The database of the county board of elections shall
25 automatically generate a postcard when the preregistrant
26 attains 18 years of age. The registrar shall mail the
27 postcard to the preregistrant at the address at which the
28 person preregistered or any updated address to notify the
29 person of the eligibility to vote in the next election.

30 (b) Effect.--No individual shall be permitted to vote at any

1 election unless the individual is registered under this
2 subsection, except as provided by law or by order of a court of
3 common pleas. No registered elector shall be required to
4 register again for any election while the elector continues to
5 reside at the same address.

6 [(c) Removal of residence.--Except as otherwise provided by
7 this part, a registered elector who removes residence from one
8 place to another outside the elector's last election district
9 shall not be entitled to vote in the election district of the
10 elector's last residence except pursuant to the provisions of
11 this section and sections 1501(b) (relating to removal notices),
12 1502 (relating to transfer of registration) and 1902 (relating
13 to procedure for voting following failure to return notification
14 card).]

15 § 1321. Methods of voter registration.

16 (a) Application.--An individual qualified to register to
17 vote under section 1301(a) (relating to qualifications to
18 register) may apply to register [as follows] in accordance with:

19 (1) [Under section] Section 1322 (relating to in-person
20 voter registration).

21 (2) [Under section] Section 1323 (relating to
22 [application] automatic registration with driver's license
23 application).

24 (3) [Under section] Section 1324 (relating to
25 application by mail).

26 (4) [Under section] Section 1325 (relating to government
27 agencies).

28 (5) Section 1325.1 (relating to same day voter
29 registration).

30 (b) Automatic registration.--An individual qualified to

1 register to vote under section 1301(a) who applies for or uses
2 government services under section 1323 or 1325.2 (relating to
3 Commonwealth agencies and other entities) shall be registered
4 automatically unless an individual chooses to not register
5 automatically as provided for in this chapter.

6 § 1323. [Application] Automatic registration with driver's
7 license application.

8 (a) General rule.--

9 (1) The Department of Transportation shall provide for
10 simultaneous [application for] voter registration in
11 conjunction with the process under 75 Pa.C.S. § 1510
12 (relating to issuance and content of driver's license). An
13 application under this subsection shall serve as an
14 application to register to vote unless the applicant fails to
15 sign the voter registration application.

16 (1.1) The secretary shall prescribe a procedure and
17 schedule by which the Department of Transportation shall
18 collect voter information and provide to the department
19 electronic registration records containing the legal name,
20 age, residence and the electronic signature of each
21 individual who reports being a citizen of the United States,
22 is subject to penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to
23 unsworn falsification to authorities) and meets
24 qualifications identified by the secretary. The secretary has
25 the primary responsibility for implementing and enforcing the
26 driver's license voter registration system created under this
27 section. The secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of
28 Transportation, may promulgate regulations for implementing
29 this section.

30 (1.2) Upon receiving the electronic registration record

1 for and electronic signature of an individual described in
2 paragraph (1), the secretary shall provide the information to
3 the commission in which the individual may be registered as
4 an elector under the laws of this Commonwealth and under the
5 National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (Public Law 103-31,
6 52 U.S.C. § 20501). The commission shall provide each
7 individual with the process to:

8 (i) Decline being registered as a voter.

9 (ii) Adopt a political party affiliation, along with
10 information as to which elections require a political
11 party affiliation for participation.

12 (1.3) If an individual notified under paragraph (1.2)
13 does not decline to be registered as an elector within 21
14 calendar days after the commission issues the notification,
15 the individual's electronic registration record and
16 electronic signature submitted under paragraph (1.1) shall
17 constitute a completed voter registration application for
18 purposes of this chapter. The individual shall be registered
19 to vote if the individual is eligible to vote under the laws
20 of this Commonwealth and is not already registered to vote.

21 (1.4) An individual notified under paragraph (1.3) who
22 does not decline to be registered as an elector within 21
23 calendar days after the commission issues the notification
24 and does not adopt a political party affiliation shall be
25 required to adopt a political party affiliation prior to
26 voting at the next primary election at which the individual
27 exercises the individual's right to vote. If no such
28 political affiliation is adopted, an individual shall be
29 permitted to vote at the next election that does not require
30 a political party affiliation to participate.

1 (1.5) A commission may not send a ballot to, or add to
2 an elector registration list, an individual who does not have
3 a completed registration under paragraph (1.2).

4 (2) An application for voter registration or automatic
5 registration submitted to the Department of Transportation
6 under this subsection shall be considered as updating any
7 previous voter registration information by a registrant.

8 (3) Any change of address submitted to the Department of
9 Transportation for the purposes of driver licensing or an
10 identification card under 75 Pa.C.S. § 1510 shall serve as
11 notification of change of address for voter registration for
12 the registrant involved unless the registrant indicates that
13 the change of address is not for voter registration purposes.

14 (b) Process.--

15 (1) The Department of Transportation shall both provide
16 for an application for voter registration as part of a
17 driver's license application[.] and collect voter
18 registration information as part of an application submitted
19 under 75 Pa.C.S. § 1510 by an individual who meets the
20 qualifications to register under section 1301(a) (relating to
21 qualifications to register).

22 (2) The format of the driver's license/voter
23 registration application and information to be collected
24 shall be determined and prescribed by the secretary and the
25 Secretary of Transportation[.] and shall include all the
26 requirements of an official voter registration application
27 specified in section 1327 (relating to preparation and
28 distribution of applications).

29 (3) The voter registration application portion of the
30 application shall contain all the requirements of an official

1 voter registration application specified in section 1327
2 [(relating to preparation and distribution of applications)].

3 The voter registration portion of the application:

4 (i) may not require any information that duplicates
5 information required in the driver's license portion of
6 the form, other than a second signature; and

7 (ii) may require only the minimum amount of
8 information necessary to prevent duplicate voter
9 registration, to enable the commission to assess the
10 eligibility of the applicant and to administer voter
11 registration and other parts of the election process.

12 (c) Transmission.--

13 (1) The Department of Transportation shall forward
14 completed applications or contents of the completed voter
15 registration applications in machine-readable format to the
16 department by the close of registration for the ensuing
17 election. The Department of Transportation shall forward the
18 electronic registration record containing the information set
19 forth in subsection (a)(1.1) to the secretary as prescribed
20 by section 1201(2) (relating to departmental
21 responsibilities) regarding individuals who report being a
22 citizen of the United States, subject to penalties under 18
23 Pa.C.S. § 4904.

24 (2) [The] Upon receipt, the department shall transmit
25 the material to the appropriate commission within ten days
26 after the date of its receipt by the Department of
27 Transportation. If a voter registration application is
28 received by the Department of Transportation within five days
29 before the last day to register before an election, the
30 application shall be transmitted to the appropriate

1 commission not later than five days after the date of its
2 receipt by the Department of Transportation.

3 (3) Upon receipt of the completed voter registration
4 information from the department, the commission shall make a
5 record of the date of the receipt of the application or
6 electronic registration record and process the application.

7 No applicant shall be deemed eligible to vote until the
8 commission has received and approved the application. Upon
9 receipt of an electronic registration record from the
10 department, the commission shall notify the individual of the
11 process to:

12 (i) Decline being registered as a voter.

13 (ii) Adopt a political party affiliation, along with
14 information as to which elections require a political
15 party affiliation for participation.

16 (3.1) If an individual notified under paragraph (3) does
17 not decline to be registered as an elector within 21 calendar
18 days after the commission issues the notification, the
19 individual's electronic record and electronic signature
20 submitted under paragraph (1) shall constitute a completed
21 voter registration application for purposes of this chapter.
22 The person shall be registered to vote if the individual is
23 eligible to vote under the laws of this Commonwealth and is
24 not already registered to vote.

25 (3.2) A commission may not send a ballot to, or add to
26 an elector registration list, an individual who does not have
27 a completed voter registration under paragraph (3.1).

28 [(3.1)] (3.3) After the Department of Transportation is
29 connected to the SURE system and notwithstanding paragraphs
30 (1), (2) and (3), the Department of Transportation shall

1 transmit electronically the contents of a completed voter
2 registration application within five days of receipt of the
3 application. The Department of Transportation shall transmit
4 the electronic registration records of individuals who have
5 reported, subject to penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904, that
6 the individual is a citizen of the United States and shall
7 contain the information set forth in subsection (a)(1.1)
8 within 24 hours of collection of the information. Upon
9 receipt of the information from the Department of
10 Transportation, a commission shall, in the case of an
11 application, make a record of the date of the receipt of the
12 application and process the application in accordance with
13 section 1328 (relating to approval of registration
14 applications) or, in the case of an electronic registration
15 record, proceed in accordance with paragraphs (3), (3.1) and
16 (3.2). If the commission of the county of residence has not
17 been connected to the SURE system, the Department of
18 Transportation shall forward the completed application or
19 contents of the completed application or the electronic
20 registration record to the department in accordance with
21 paragraph (1). No applicant shall be deemed eligible to vote
22 until the commission has received and approved an application
23 in accordance with section 1328.

24 (4) Changes of address shall comply with the following:

25 (i) Before the Department of Transportation is
26 connected to the SURE system, the Department of
27 Transportation shall notify the department of changes of
28 address received under subsection (a)(3). The department
29 shall notify the commission of the county of the
30 registrant's former residence. After the Department of

1 Transportation is connected to the SURE system, the
2 Department of Transportation shall notify the commission
3 of the county of the registrant's former residence. If
4 the registrant has moved to an address outside this
5 Commonwealth, the commission shall verify the address
6 change in accordance with section 1901 (relating to
7 removal of electors). Except as provided in subparagraph
8 (ii), if the registrant confirms in accordance with
9 section 1901(d) that he has moved to another county, the
10 commission shall cancel the registration and forward the
11 registrant's registration information to the commission
12 of the registrant's new county of residence. Except as
13 provided in subparagraph (ii), if the registrant has
14 moved to an address within the commission's jurisdiction,
15 the commission shall promptly update the registration
16 record of the registrant in accordance with section 1328.
17 All changes of address received by the Department of
18 Transportation under this section at least 30 days before
19 an election must be processed by the commission for the
20 ensuing election. For the purpose of this paragraph, the
21 term "registration information" means the registration
22 card and any other record of registration maintained by a
23 commission.

24 (ii) In the case of changes of address received by
25 the Department of Transportation which do not contain a
26 signature of the registrant, the commission receiving the
27 change of address notification shall mail a notice to the
28 registrant at the new residence address requesting
29 verification of the address change. If the change of
30 address is to a new residence outside the commission's

1 jurisdiction, the commission shall mail the following
2 notice:

3 Date.....

4 Office of the Registration Commission

5 County, Pennsylvania

6 (Address and Telephone No. of County)

7 We have been notified by the Department of Transportation
8 that you recently changed your address
9 from (old residence address)
10 to (new residence address) and that this
11 change of address is to serve as a change of address for
12 voter registration purposes. Unless you notify this
13 office within ten days from the date of this notice that
14 this information is not correct, your voter registration
15 will be transferred to County. You may notify
16 this office by writing your residence address, the date
17 and your signature on the bottom of this form and mailing
18 this notice to this office. You need not notify this
19 office if this information is correct.

20

21 Chief Clerk

22 If the address change is within the commission's
23 jurisdiction, the commission shall mail a voter's
24 identification card to the registrant at the new
25 residence address.

26 (iii) If the registrant does not return the notice
27 under subparagraph (ii) within the ten-day period, the
28 commission shall process the change of address according
29 to subparagraph (i). If the registrant notifies the
30 commission that the information is incorrect and the

1 commission is satisfied with the registrant's explanation
2 of the discrepancy, the address of the registrant's
3 registration shall remain unchanged. If the verification
4 notification or voter identification card is returned by
5 the post office as undeliverable as addressed or with a
6 forwarding address, the commission shall send a
7 confirmation notice to the registrant's address of former
8 residence in accordance with section 1901(d)(2).

9 (5) Upon notification and confirmation of any change of
10 address, a commission shall promptly update information
11 contained in its registration record.

12 (d) Prohibition.--[An] The Department of Transportation may
13 not register to vote under this section an individual who is not
14 a qualified elector [is ineligible to register to vote under
15 this section].

16 (e) Effect.--Failure to properly complete a voter
17 registration application or refusal to provide voter
18 registration information shall not affect the validity of an
19 application for a driver's license, a renewal application or an
20 identification card application.

21 (f) Use of information.--No information regarding a
22 declination to register to vote in connection with an
23 application [made] submitted or not submitted if an individual
24 has not certified that the individual is a citizen of the United
25 States, subject to penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904, under this
26 section may be used for any purpose other than voter
27 registration.

28 (g) Staff.--Agents and employees working on behalf of the
29 Department of Transportation assisting in the completion of
30 voter registration applications or collecting voter registration

1 information under this section shall conduct themselves in a
2 manner consistent with the following principles:

3 (1) They shall not seek to influence an applicant's
4 political preference or party registration or display
5 political preference or party allegiance.

6 (2) They shall not make a statement to an applicant or
7 take an action the purpose or effect of which is to
8 discourage the applicant from registering to vote or
9 providing voter registration information.

10 (3) Applicants wishing to register to vote under this
11 section shall be given the same degree of assistance with the
12 voter registration application as with all other Department
13 of Transportation forms.

14 Agency employees who violate this subsection or who fail to
15 collect the information required under subsection (a)(1.1) or
16 who fail to forward the information to the department or the
17 SURE system shall be removed from employment, provided that the
18 agency at its discretion may impose a penalty of suspension
19 without pay for at least 30 days, but not more than 120 days, if
20 it finds that the violation does not warrant termination.

21 § 1325. Government agencies.

22 * * *

23 (b) Forms.--An agency designated in subsection (a) shall
24 provide a form for office visits or, if the agency provides
25 services to persons with disabilities, for home visits which
26 contains all of the following:

27 * * *

28 (4) The statement "In order to be qualified to register
29 to vote, you must be at least 18 years of age on the day of
30 the next election, you must have been a citizen of the United

1 States for at least one month prior to the next election and
2 have resided in Pennsylvania and the election district where
3 you plan to vote for at least 30 days prior to the next
4 [election, and you must not have been confined in a penal
5 institution for a conviction of a felony within the last five
6 years."] election."

7 * * *

8 Section 3. Title 25 is amended by adding sections to read:

9 § 1325.1. Same day voter registration.

10 (a) Application.--A qualified elector may register on
11 election day by appearing in person at the polling place for the
12 electoral district in which the individual maintains residence
13 by completing and submitting a registration application to the
14 judge of elections and providing proof of identification and
15 residence.

16 (b) Acceptable forms of identification.--In addition to
17 providing a completed voter registration form, an applicant must
18 provide a valid form of identification, including any of the
19 following government-issued forms of identification:

20 (1) A valid driver's license or identification card
21 issued by the Department of Transportation.

22 (2) A valid identification card issued by another agency
23 of the Commonwealth.

24 (3) A valid identification card issued by the United
25 States Government.

26 (4) A valid United States passport.

27 (5) A valid United States Armed Forces identification
28 card.

29 (c) Procedures.--

30 (1) Upon certifying the eligibility of the qualified

1 elector, the judge of elections at the polling place shall
2 issue a provisional ballot, provided by the county board of
3 elections, which is to be completed by the qualified elector
4 and sealed in an envelope along with the voter registration
5 application.

6 (2) Within 10 days of an election, the Department of
7 State shall approve or deny a voter registration application
8 under the provisions established in section 1328 (relating to
9 approval of registration applications).

10 (3) The provisional ballot shall not be counted until
11 the Department of State has approved the voter registration
12 application.

13 (4) The qualified elector shall be notified in writing
14 by the Department of State as to the approval or denial of a
15 voter registration application.

16 § 1325.2. Commonwealth agencies and other entities.

17 (a) Administration.--The secretary shall administer a system
18 whereby each individual submitting an employment or program
19 application shall provide for simultaneous voter registration in
20 conjunction with an employment or program application filed with
21 the agency or entity.

22 (b) Procedure.--The secretary shall prescribe a procedure
23 and schedule by which each entity under this section shall
24 provide to the department electronic records containing the
25 legal name, age, residence and citizenship information for, and
26 the electronic signature of, each individual who has certified
27 that the individual is a citizen of the United States, subject
28 to penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn
29 falsification to authorities), and any other information
30 required under this chapter.

1 (c) Effect.--Refusal to provide voter registration
2 information shall not affect the validity of an employment or
3 program application, consideration of the application or
4 eligibility for any financial assistance, compensation, benefit
5 or service available, offered or to which the person is entitled
6 under any program.

7 (d) Staff.--

8 (1) Agency or entity employees collecting voter
9 registration information under this section shall conduct
10 themselves in a manner consistent with the following
11 principles:

12 (i) The employee may not seek to influence an
13 applicant's political preference or party registration or
14 display political preference or party allegiance.

15 (ii) The employee may not make any statement to an
16 applicant or take any action the purpose of or effect of
17 which is to discourage the applicant from providing voter
18 registration information.

19 (iii) The employee may not make any statement to an
20 applicant or take any action the purpose of or effect of
21 which is to lead the applicant to believe that refusing
22 to provide voter registration information has any bearing
23 on the application, including its consideration, the
24 likelihood of employment or, in the case of an
25 application to a State-owned or State-related university,
26 acceptance, the availability of services or benefits.

27 (2) Agency or entity employees who violate this
28 subsection, who fail to collect the information required
29 under section 1323 (a)(1.1) or fail to forward the
30 information to the department shall be removed from

1 employment, except that the agency or entity at its
2 discretion may impose a penalty of suspension without pay for
3 at least 30 days, but not more than 120 days, if the agency
4 or entity finds that the violation does not warrant
5 termination.

6 (e) Encouraging registration.--Agencies and entities subject
7 to this section must provide reasonable space for nonpartisan
8 signs or posters advising individuals of automatic voter
9 registration. The signs and posters shall be provided by the
10 secretary.

11 (f) Transmission.--The following shall apply:

12 (1) Agencies and entities subject to this section shall
13 forward the electronic registration record of individuals who
14 certify that the individual is a citizen of the United
15 States, subject to penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904,
16 containing the information set forth in section 1323 (a)(1.1)
17 to the secretary as prescribed by section 1201(2) (relating
18 to departmental responsibilities).

19 (2) Upon receipt, the department shall transmit the
20 material to the appropriate commission.

21 (3) Upon receipt of the electronic record from the
22 department, the commission shall notify the individual of the
23 process to:

24 (i) Decline being registered as a voter.

25 (ii) Adopt a political party affiliation, along with
26 information as to which elections require a political
27 party affiliation for participation.

28 (4) The individual's electronic record and electronic
29 signature submitted under paragraph (1) shall constitute a
30 completed voter registration card for purposes of this

1 chapter. The person shall be registered to vote if the
2 individual is eligible to vote under the laws of this
3 Commonwealth and is not already registered to vote.

4 (5) An individual notified under paragraph (3) who does
5 not decline to be registered as an elector within 21 calendar
6 days after the commission issues the notification and does
7 not adopt a political party affiliation shall be required to
8 adopt a political party affiliation prior to voting at the
9 next primary election at which the individual exercises the
10 right to vote. If no such political affiliation is adopted,
11 an individual shall be permitted to vote at the next election
12 that does not require a political party affiliation to
13 participate.

14 (6) A commission may not send a ballot to, or add to an
15 elector registration list, an individual who does not have a
16 completed voter registration under paragraph (4).

17 (g) Confidentiality.--The identity of any agency or entity
18 through which any particular voter is registered in accordance
19 with this section shall not be disclosed to the public.

20 (h) Use of information.--No information relating to voter
21 registration collected by agencies or entities, including, but
22 not limited to, an individual's citizenship status under this
23 section or information relating to an individual's election to
24 decline to register as a voter may be used for any purpose other
25 than voter registration.

26 (i) Regulation.--The secretary shall promulgate regulations
27 regarding the maintenance and destruction of forms used under
28 this section.

29 Section 4. Sections 1326(b) and (c), 1327, 1328(b) and (c)
30 and 1501 are amended to read:

1 § 1326. Time.

2 * * *

3 (b) Deadlines.--In the administration of voter registration,
4 each commission shall ensure that any applicant who is a
5 qualified elector is registered to vote in an election when the
6 applicant has met any of the following conditions:

7 (1) In the case of voter registration with a motor
8 vehicle driver's license application under section 1323
9 (relating to [application] automatic registration with
10 driver's license application), if the valid application or
11 electronic voter registration application is submitted to the
12 appropriate Department of Transportation office or received
13 by the department not later than 30 days before the date of
14 the election.

15 (2) In the case of registration by mail under section
16 1324 (relating to application by mail), if the valid voter
17 registration mail application is postmarked not later than
18 the deadline to register for the ensuing election or, in the
19 case of an illegible or missing postmark, it is received not
20 later than five days after the deadline to register for the
21 ensuing election.

22 (3) In the case of voter registration at a voter
23 registration agency under section 1325 (relating to
24 government agencies) or 1325.2 (relating to Commonwealth
25 agencies and other entities), if the valid voter registration
26 application is accepted at the voter registration agency or
27 electronic voter registration record is received by the
28 department not later than 30 days before the date of the
29 election.

30 (3.1) In the case of same day voter registration if the

1 valid voter registration application of the applicant is
2 accepted in the appropriate electoral district by the
3 presiding judge of elections.

4 (4) In any other case, if the valid voter registration
5 application of the applicant is received by the appropriate
6 commission not later than 30 days before the election.

7 (c) Special rules.--

8 (1) In the case of a special election within a
9 congressional, senatorial or representative district held on
10 a day other than the day of a primary, general or municipal
11 election, the registration application forms and electronic
12 records shall not be processed in the wards and election
13 districts comprising the district for the [30] five days
14 prior to the special election for such election.

15 (2) No applications shall be received as follows:

16 (i) On Sundays.

17 (ii) On holidays.

18 (iii) On the day of the election.

19 (iv) During the [30] five days next preceding each
20 general, municipal and primary election except as
21 provided in subsection (b).

22 § 1327. Preparation and distribution of applications.

23 (a) Form.--

24 (1) The secretary shall prescribe the form of an
25 official voter registration application. The official voter
26 registration application shall provide space for the
27 following information about the applicant:

28 (i) Full name.

29 (ii) Address of residence. If the residence is a
30 portion only of the house, the location or number of the

1 room, apartment or floor which is occupied.

2 (iii) Mailing address if different than address of
3 residence.

4 (iv) Name and residence address on previous
5 registration and the year of that registration.

6 (v) Designation of political party, for the purpose
7 of voting at a primary election.

8 (vi) Date of birth.

9 (vii) Telephone number. An application shall not be
10 rejected because of noncompliance with this subparagraph.

11 (viii) Race. An application shall not be rejected
12 because of noncompliance with this subparagraph.

13 (2) Data required on the voter registration application
14 shall not be more nor less than the minimum data elements
15 permissible for Federal voter registration.

16 (3) Any person who assists in the completion of the
17 registration application shall sign the application and
18 indicate the person's address. In the case of those
19 ~~[registering]~~ automatically registered electronically under
20 ~~[sections]~~ section 1323 (relating to ~~[application]~~ automatic
21 registration with driver's license application) ~~[and]~~, 1325
22 (relating to government agencies) or 1325.2 (relating to
23 Commonwealth agencies and other entities), the person
24 providing assistance shall insert the person's initials or
25 employee or agent identification number on a separate or
26 detachable portion of the application or the computer data
27 file.

28 (4) A voter registration application shall be printed on
29 stock of good quality and shall be of suitable uniform size.
30 Nothing in this part shall prohibit the design and use of an

1 electronic voter registration application which includes the
2 applicant's digitized or electronic signature. The
3 registration application shall contain the following
4 information; however, the information may be provided on a
5 separate form for automatic voter registration made under
6 section 1323 [or], 1325 or 1325.2:

7 (i) Notice that a registered elector does not need
8 to reregister unless the registered elector has moved.

9 (ii) Instructions on how to fill out and submit the
10 application and notification of when the application must
11 be submitted to a voter registration office in order to
12 be registered for the ensuing election.

13 (iii) Notice that the applicant must be a citizen of
14 the United States for at least one month prior to the
15 next election and a resident of this Commonwealth and the
16 election district for at least 30 days and must be at
17 least 18 years of age by the day of the next ensuing
18 election [and has not been confined in a penal
19 institution for a conviction of a felony within the last
20 five years]. The notice required in this subparagraph
21 shall be in print identical to the declaration under
22 subsection (b).

23 (iv) Notice that political party enrollment is
24 mandatory to vote in a primary election of a political
25 party.

26 (v) [Notice] For a paper application, notice that
27 the commission will mail by nonforwardable mail to the
28 applicant a voter's identification card upon acceptance
29 of the application and that the applicant should contact
30 the commission if the identification card is not received

1 within 14 days from the date the application is sent to
2 the registration office.

3 (v.1) For automatic registration under section 1323,
4 1325 or 1325.2, notice that the commission will notify
5 the individual of the registration and that if the
6 individual does not decline to be registered as an
7 elector within 21 calendar days after the commission
8 issues the notification, the individual's electronic
9 record and electronic signature submitted under paragraph
10 (1) shall constitute a completed voter registration card
11 for purposes of this chapter.

12 (vi) Notice that registration is not complete until
13 the application is processed and accepted by the
14 commission.

15 (vii) A warning to the applicant that making a false
16 registration or furnishing false information is perjury.
17 The notice required in this subparagraph shall be in
18 print identical to the declaration under subsection (b).

19 (viii) Instructions to Federal or State employees
20 who wish to retain voting residence in county of last
21 residence to so indicate on the application.

22 (ix) Notice that, if an individual declines to
23 register to vote, the fact that the individual has
24 declined to register will remain confidential and will be
25 used only for voter registration purposes. The notice
26 required in this subparagraph shall be in print identical
27 to the declaration under subsection (b).

28 (x) Notice that, if an individual does register to
29 vote, the office at which the individual submits a voter
30 registration application or was automatically registered

1 will remain confidential and will be used for voter
2 registration purposes only. The notices required in this
3 subparagraph shall be in print identical to the
4 declaration in subsection (b).

5 (5) In jurisdictions where there is a single language
6 minority, the secretary may print a bilingual application.

7 (6) In jurisdictions where a single language minority
8 exceeds [5%] 3% of the population, the secretary shall:

9 (i) print [a bilingual application] voting notices,
10 forms, instructions, assistance and ballots in both
11 English and the minority language; and

12 (ii) conduct a public educational program among that
13 language group alerting both organizations and
14 individuals of that group of the availability of the
15 bilingual application and encouraging individuals to
16 register.

17 In jurisdictions where interested citizens or organizations
18 provide the secretary with information that gives the
19 secretary sufficient reason to believe a substantial need
20 exists for language assistance for voting the secretary shall
21 provide it.

22 (7) To implement section 1324 (relating to application
23 by mail), the secretary shall print an official voter
24 registration mail application designed to preserve the
25 confidentiality of the information required to be submitted.
26 The application shall contain information required by this
27 section and shall include the name of each county seat, its
28 post office mailing address and zip code and its telephone
29 number. Voter registration mail applications shall contain
30 information indicating whether the application is a new

1 registration, change of party enrollment, change of address
2 or change of name.

3 (8) Nothing in this part shall prohibit a private
4 organization or individual from printing blank voter
5 registration applications or shall prohibit the use of such
6 applications by any other individual, provided that the form,
7 content and paper quality of such voter registration
8 application complies with department regulations for the
9 forms or has received prior approval from the secretary.

10 (b) Registration declaration.--

11 (1) The official voter registration application shall
12 contain a registration declaration. On the declaration, the
13 applicant shall state all of the following:

14 (i) The applicant has been a citizen of the United
15 States for at least one month prior to the next election.

16 (ii) On the day of the next ensuing election, the
17 applicant shall be at least 18 years of age.

18 (iii) On the day of the next ensuing election, the
19 applicant shall have resided in this Commonwealth and in
20 the election district for at least 30 days.

21 [(iv) The applicant has not been confined in a penal
22 institution for a conviction of a felony within the last
23 five years.]

24 (v) The applicant is legally qualified to vote.

25 (2) The applicant shall affirm all of the following:

26 (i) The information provided in the registration
27 declaration is true.

28 (ii) The applicant understands that:

29 (A) the registration declaration will be
30 accepted for all purposes as the equivalent of an

1 affidavit; and

2 (B) if the registration contains a material
3 false statement, the applicant shall be subject to
4 penalties for perjury.

5 (3) The registration declaration shall contain the
6 printed name and signature of the applicant and the date of
7 signing. An applicant unable to sign the voter registration
8 application shall make a mark before a person of the
9 applicant's choice other than the applicant's employer or an
10 agent of the applicant's union. The person shall insert the
11 person's name, address and telephone number. If the person is
12 an employee or agent of the Department of Transportation or
13 another agency as provided under section 1325 and is
14 assisting the applicant in an official capacity, the employee
15 or agent shall insert the initials and identification number
16 of the employee or agent. In the case of applicants
17 registering under section 1323 or 1325, the person providing
18 assistance shall insert initials or employee or agent
19 identification number on [a separate or detachable portion of
20 the application or] the computer data file.

21 (4) The official registration application shall contain
22 a notice entitled "PENALTY FOR FALSIFYING DECLARATION." The
23 notice shall advise the applicant that if a person signs an
24 official registration application knowing a statement
25 declared in the application to be false, the person commits
26 perjury. The notice shall specify the penalty for perjury.

27 (c) Distribution.--

28 (1) The secretary shall supply official registration
29 applications to commissions.

30 (2) The secretary shall make available for distribution

1 official voter registration applications to public libraries,
2 public schools, State-related institutions of higher
3 education, offices operated by the Department of Revenue,
4 offices operated by the Department of Aging, area agencies on
5 aging, offices operated by the Pennsylvania Game Commission
6 or any of its authorized license-issuing agents, offices
7 operated by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission or any
8 of its issuing agents, and offices that provide unemployment
9 compensation.

10 (3) Each participating agency identified under paragraph
11 (2) shall:

12 (i) Provide that official voter registration mail
13 applications are available on the premises and displayed
14 prominently in a conspicuous location during normal
15 business hours.

16 (ii) Provide an official voter registration mail
17 application to any individual requesting one.

18 (iii) Provide reasonable space for nonpartisan signs
19 or posters indicating the availability of official voter
20 registration mail applications on the premises.

21 (4) The secretary may provide technical assistance to
22 commissions upon request and agencies designated under
23 paragraph (2).

24 (5) The secretary shall print and distribute mail
25 registration applications which are not postage paid and
26 which shall not be specific to any county registration
27 office. Along with the distribution of such applications, the
28 secretary shall also include instructions to inform the
29 applicant where the application is to be sent.

30 (6) The secretary and commissions shall supply

1 applications to all of the following:

2 (i) Persons and organizations who request
3 applications.

4 (ii) Federal, State and political subdivision
5 offices.

6 (iii) Political parties and political bodies.

7 (iv) Candidates.

8 (7) The secretary shall print and distribute same day
9 voter registration applications to all polling places
10 throughout this Commonwealth. Along with the distribution of
11 such applications, the secretary shall also include
12 instructions to inform the applicant of the same day voter
13 registration application process, the process for counting
14 the applicant's vote and verifying the applicant's
15 eligibility.

16 (d) Staff.--Agency employees assisting in the distribution
17 of voter registration applications under subsection (c) shall
18 conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the following
19 principles:

20 (1) They shall not seek to influence an applicant's
21 political preference or party registration or display
22 political preference or party allegiance.

23 (2) They shall not make any statement to an applicant or
24 take any action the purpose of or effect of which is to
25 discourage the applicant from registering to vote.

26 (3) They shall not make any statement to an applicant or
27 take any action the purpose of or effect of which is to lead
28 the applicant to believe that a decision to register or not
29 to register has any bearing on the availability of services
30 or benefits.

1 Agency employees who violate this subsection shall be removed
2 from employment, provided that the agency at its discretion may
3 impose a penalty of suspension without pay for at least 30 days,
4 but not more than 120 days, if it finds that the violation does
5 not warrant termination.

6 § 1328. Approval of registration applications.

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8 (b) Decision.--A commission shall do one of the following:

9 (1) Record and forward a voter registration application
10 to the proper commission if the commission finds during its
11 examination under subsection (a) that the applicant does not
12 reside within the commission's county but resides elsewhere
13 in this Commonwealth.

14 (2) Reject a voter registration application[✓] or an
15 electronic voter registration record transferred under
16 section 1323 (relating to automatic registration with
17 driver's license application), 1325 (relating to government
18 agencies) or 1325.2 (relating to Commonwealth agencies and
19 other entities), indicate the rejection and the reasons for
20 the rejection on the application or electronic voter
21 registration record and notify the applicant by first class
22 nonforwardable mail, return postage guaranteed of the
23 rejection and the reason if the commission finds during its
24 examination under subsection (a) any of the following:

25 (i) The application or electronic registration was
26 not properly completed and, after reasonable efforts by
27 the commission to ascertain the necessary information,
28 the application or electronic registration remains
29 incomplete or inconsistent.

30 (ii) The applicant is not a qualified elector.

1 (iii) The applicant is not entitled to a transfer of
2 registration or a change of address.

3 (iv) The applicant is not legally qualified for a
4 change of name.

5 A rejection shall be made no later than ten days before the
6 election succeeding the filing of the application.

7 (3) Process a voter registration application or
8 electronic registration in accordance with subsection (c) if
9 the commission finds during its examination under subsection
10 (a) all of the following:

11 (i) The application or electronic registration
12 requests registration.

13 (ii) The application or electronic registration
14 contains the required information indicating that the
15 applicant is a qualified elector of the county.

16 (4) Process a voter registration application or
17 electronic registration in accordance with subsection (c) and
18 update its registration records if the commission finds
19 during its examination under subsection (a) all of the
20 following:

21 (i) The application or electronic registration
22 requests registration.

23 (ii) The application or electronic registration
24 contains the required information indicating that the
25 applicant is a qualified elector of the county.

26 (iii) The applicant is currently a registered
27 elector of the county.

28 (5) Process a voter registration application or
29 electronic registration in accordance with subsection (c) and
30 request transfer of registration records in accordance with

1 subsection (d) if the commission finds during its examination
2 under subsection (a) all of the following:

3 (i) The application or electronic registration
4 requests registration.

5 (ii) The application or electronic registration
6 contains the required information indicating that the
7 applicant is a qualified elector of the county.

8 (iii) The applicant is currently a registered
9 elector of another county.

10 (6) Process a voter registration application or
11 electronic registration in accordance with subsection (c) and
12 request transfer of registration records in accordance with
13 subsection (d) if the commission finds during its examination
14 under subsection (a) all of the following:

15 (i) The application or electronic registration
16 requests a transfer of registration.

17 (ii) The application or electronic registration
18 contains the required information indicating that the
19 applicant is a qualified elector of the county.

20 (iii) The applicant is currently a registered
21 elector of another county.

22 (7) Process a voter registration application or
23 electronic registration in accordance with subsection (c) and
24 update its registration if the commission finds during its
25 examination under subsection (a) all of the following:

26 (i) The application or electronic registration
27 requests a change of address.

28 (ii) The application or electronic registration
29 contains the required information indicating that the
30 applicant is a qualified elector of the county.

1 (iii) The applicant is currently a registered
2 elector of the county.

3 (8) Process a voter registration application or
4 electronic registration in accordance with subsection (c) and
5 update its registration records if the commission finds
6 during its examination under subsection (a) all of the
7 following:

8 (i) The application or electronic registration
9 requests a change of name.

10 (ii) The applicant is legally qualified to a change
11 of name.

12 (iii) The application or electronic registration
13 contains the required information indicating that the
14 applicant is a qualified elector of the county.

15 (iv) The applicant is currently a registered elector
16 of the county.

17 (9) Voters shall be able to track the status of their
18 registration online via a secure publicly accessible Internet
19 website.

20 (c) Processing of voter registration.--

21 (1) When a commission has accepted a voter registration
22 application or electronic registration under subsection (b)
23 (3), the commission shall assign each applicant a unique
24 identification number in the SURE system. [The] Except as
25 provided in section 1323(c) (3.1), 1325(f) or 1325.2(f) (4),
26 the commission shall mail a wallet-sized voter's
27 identification card to the individual by first class
28 nonforwardable mail, return postage guaranteed, which shall
29 serve as notice of the acceptance of the application. The
30 card shall contain all of the following:

- 1 (i) Name and address of the individual.
- 2 (ii) Name of municipality of residence.
- 3 (iii) Identification of the individual's ward and
4 district.
- 5 (iv) The effective date of registration.
- 6 (v) Designation of party enrollment and date of
7 enrollment.
- 8 (vi) A space for the individual's signature or mark.
- 9 (vii) The unique identification number of the
10 individual.
- 11 (viii) A statement that the individual must notify
12 the commission within ten days from the date it was
13 mailed if any information on the card is incorrect;
14 otherwise, the information shall be deemed correct for
15 voter registration purposes.
- 16 (2) When a commission has accepted a voter registration
17 application under subsection (b) (4), (5), (6), (7) or (8),
18 except as provided in section 1323(c) (3.1), 1325(f) or
19 1325.2(f) (4), the commission shall mail a wallet-sized
20 voter's identification card to the individual by first class
21 nonforwardable mail, return postage guaranteed, which shall
22 serve as notice of the acceptance of the application. The
23 card shall contain all of the following:
- 24 (i) Name and address of the individual.
- 25 (ii) Name of municipality of residence.
- 26 (iii) Identification of the individual's ward and
27 district.
- 28 (iv) The effective date of registration.
- 29 (v) Designation of party enrollment and date of
30 enrollment.

1 (vi) A space for the individual's signature or mark.

2 (vii) The SURE registration number of the
3 individual.

4 (viii) A statement that the individual must notify
5 the commission within ten days from the date it was
6 mailed if any information on the card is incorrect;
7 otherwise, the information shall be deemed correct for
8 voter registration purposes.

9 (3) An envelope containing a voter identification card
10 shall be marked on the outside with a request to the
11 postmaster to return it within five days if it cannot be
12 delivered to the addressee at the address given.

13 (4) (i) If an envelope containing a voter
14 identification card has been mailed in accordance with
15 paragraphs (1) and (3) and has not been returned to the
16 commission by the postmaster within ten days from the
17 date it was mailed, the individual shall be deemed a
18 registered elector of the county and the commission shall
19 enter the individual's registration information in the
20 general register. The unique identification number shall
21 be entered as the registered elector's SURE registration
22 number. No person shall be deemed a registered elector of
23 the county until ten days after the voter identification
24 card has been mailed.

25 (ii) If an envelope containing a voter
26 identification card has been mailed in accordance with
27 paragraphs (2) and (3) and has not been returned to the
28 commission by the postmaster within ten days from the
29 date it was mailed, the individual shall be deemed a
30 registered elector of the county and the commission shall

1 enter the individual's registration information in the
2 general register. No person shall be deemed a registered
3 elector of the county until ten days after the voter
4 identification card has been mailed.

5 (5) If an envelope containing a voter identification
6 card is returned by the postmaster because the envelope is
7 undeliverable at the given address, the commission shall
8 investigate. If the commission finds that the individual is
9 not qualified to register from the address, the commission
10 shall reject the application and shall notify the individual
11 by first class forwardable mail of this action.

12 * * *

13 § 1501. Removal notices.

14 (a) Form.--

15 (1) A commission shall make removal notices available to
16 electors who are registered in the county.

17 (2) The notice shall be printed upon cards suitable for
18 mailing, addressed to the office of the commission. The
19 notice shall provide the following information:

20 (i) The address of present residence, including
21 municipality.

22 (ii) The address of last registration, including
23 municipality.

24 (iii) Date of removal to present residence.

25 (iv) Signature.

26 [(3) The notice shall contain a statement that the
27 registered elector may, by filling out properly and signing a
28 removal notice and returning it to the office of the
29 commission, secure the transfer of registration effective as
30 to elections at least 30 days after the date of removal into

1 the new district.

2 (4) The notice shall contain a warning to the registered
3 elector that the notice will not be accepted as an
4 application for transfer of the elector's registration unless
5 the signature thereon can be identified by the commission as
6 the elector's signature as it appears on file with the
7 commission.

8 (5) The notice shall contain a warning to the registered
9 elector that the notice must be received by the commission
10 not later than 30 days before an election. If mailed, the
11 notice must be postmarked not later than the deadline for
12 registration or, in the case of an illegible or missing
13 postmark, received within five days of the close of
14 registration.]

15 (6) A person who has changed the person's permanent
16 place of residence within this Commonwealth, but who has not
17 transferred voter registration to the new address, shall be
18 permitted to vote a regular ballot at the polling place for
19 the person's new address on the day of the election,
20 including any days established for early voting, under
21 paragraph (7).

22 (7) An elector who moves from the precinct in which the
23 elector is registered shall be permitted to change the
24 elector's place of residence and vote by regular ballot in
25 the precinct to which the elector has moved if the elector
26 completes an affirmation in substantially the following form:

27 Change of Legal Residence

28 of Registered Voter

29 Under penalties for false swearing, I,.....

30 (name of voter) swear (or affirm) that the former address

1 of my legal residence was.....
2
3 (address of legal residence) in the municipality of
4in
5County,
6 Pennsylvania, and I was registered to vote at this
7 address; that I have not voted in the precinct of my
8 former registration in this election; that now I reside
9 at the following address:

10 (i) Address.....

11

12 (ii) Municipality.....

13 (iii) County.....

14 (iv) Pennsylvania Zip Code.....

15 (v) I further swear (or affirm) that I am otherwise
16 legally registered, eligible and entitled to vote

17

18 (Signature of voter whose address of legal residence
19 has changed)

20 (8) An elector whose name is changed from that on the
21 elector's voter registration, because of marriage or other
22 legal process, shall be permitted to vote under the elector's
23 new name, provided such elector completes an affirmation in
24 substantially the following form:

25 Change of Name

26 of Registered Voter

27 Under penalties for false swearing, I,.....

28 (new name of voter) swear (or affirm) that my name has

29 been changed because of marriage or other legal process.

30 My former name and address of legal residence appear on

1 the registration records as follows:

2 (i) Name.....

3 (ii) Address.....

4

5 (iii) Municipality.....

6 (iv) County.....

7 (v) Pennsylvania Zip Code.....

8 (vi) My present name and address of legal residence

9 are as follows:

10 (vii) Name.....

11 (viii) Address.....

12

13 (ix) Municipality.....

14 (x) County.....

15 (xi) Pennsylvania Zip Code.....

16 (xii) And I further swear (or affirm) that I am
17 otherwise legally registered and entitled to vote

18

19 (Signature of voter whose name has changed)

20 (9) The affirmation, when completed and presented at the

21 precinct in which the elector is entitled to vote, upon

22 verification that the elector is a registered voter in this

23 Commonwealth, shall entitle the elector to vote a regular

24 ballot as provided in this subsection. If the elector's

25 registration record cannot be located in the State database,

26 the elector shall be entitled to vote a provisional ballot,

27 subject to the requirement and procedures in section 1210(a)

28 of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the

29 Pennsylvania Election Code. Upon receipt of an affirmation or

30 application certifying a change in address of legal residence

1 or name, the director of the county board of elections shall,
2 as soon as practicable, make the necessary changes in the
3 SURE system to indicate the change in address of legal
4 residence and name of the elector.

5 (10) The secretary shall ensure that each precinct shall
6 have access to the SURE system to determine an elector's
7 eligibility to vote in accordance with this section. If
8 access to the Statewide database is unavailable at each
9 precinct on the effective date of this paragraph, the
10 secretary shall, within 90 days of the effective date,
11 present the General Assembly with a plan to comply with this
12 provision within 12 months of the effective date. During such
13 period as a precinct does not have access to the Statewide
14 voter registration system, voters will still be offered the
15 opportunity to update any new voter information in accordance
16 with this section.

17 [(b) Use.--A registered elector who removes residence from
18 one place to another within the same county must notify the
19 commission by filing a removal notice under subsection (a) or a
20 signed request for renewal that contains the information
21 required in subsection (a) with the commission not later than
22 the registration deadline before an election. If mailed, the
23 notice or request must be postmarked not later than the deadline
24 for registration or, in the case of an illegible or missing
25 postmark, received within five days of the close of
26 registration. The following apply:

27 (1) An official registration application of an elector
28 who has registered by mail qualifies as a removal notice.

29 (2) A registered elector who removes residence from one
30 place to another within the same county and who has not yet

1 filed a removal notice with the commission shall be permitted
2 to vote once at the elector's former polling place following
3 removal if, at the time of signing the voter's certificate,
4 the elector files with the judge of election a signed removal
5 notice properly filled out. Removal notices under this
6 paragraph shall be returned to the commission with the voting
7 check list, and the commission shall proceed to transfer the
8 registration of the elector under section 1502 (relating to
9 transfer of registration) and shall promptly update
10 information contained in its registration records. A
11 registered elector may vote in the election district of the
12 elector's former residence not more than one time following
13 the elector's removal.

14 (3) A registered elector who removes residence from one
15 county to another county and who is not registered to vote in
16 the new county of residence shall be permitted to vote in the
17 election district in the former county of residence if, at
18 the time of signing the elector's certificate, the elector
19 files with the judge of election a signed affirmation
20 declaring the elector's new residence. A registered elector
21 may vote in the election district of the elector's former
22 residence not more than one time following the elector's
23 removal. Affirmations made under this paragraph shall be
24 returned to the commission of the elector's former county of
25 residence with the voting checklist, and that commission
26 shall proceed to transfer the registration of the elector
27 under section 1502. Upon receipt of the transfer notice, the
28 commission of the elector's new county of residence shall
29 immediately process the transfer of the elector in accordance
30 with section 1328 (relating to approval of registration

1 applications). Both commissions shall promptly update
2 information contained in their registration records.]

3 (c) Alternate method.--In lieu of the affirmation contained
4 in subsection (a) (7) or (8), an elector may complete a voter
5 registration application that indicates the change of name or
6 change of address of legal residence.

7 Section 5. Title 25 is amended by adding a section to read:
8 § 1515. Effect of inmates being released from correctional
9 facilities.

10 (a) Duty of Department of Corrections.--The Department of
11 Corrections shall, within 14 days of the release of an inmate
12 from incarceration in a State correctional institution, send the
13 name and address of residence of that individual to the county
14 board of elections in the inmate's county of residence in a
15 manner and on a form prescribed by the department. The county
16 board of elections shall promptly update information contained
17 in its registration records.

18 (b) Duty of county officials.--The warden or supervisor of a
19 county jail or prison shall, within 14 days of the release of an
20 individual from incarceration in the county jail or prison, send
21 the name and address of residence of that individual to the
22 county board of elections in a manner and on a form prescribed
23 by the county. The county board of elections shall promptly
24 update information contained in its registration records.

25 Section 6. Section 3302 of Title 25 is repealed:

26 [§ 3302. Application for absentee ballots.]

27 (a) General rule.--Notwithstanding the provisions of Part IV
28 (relating to voter registration) or the act of June 3, 1937
29 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, the
30 following persons may make application for an absentee ballot by

1 sending a letter or other signed document to the county board of
2 elections in the county in which the person's voting address is
3 located:

4 (1) A registered elector who is unable to attend the
5 polling place on the day of any primary or election because
6 of illness or physical disability.

7 (2) A registered elector who expects to be absent from
8 this Commonwealth or the municipality of residence because
9 duties, occupation or business require the elector to be
10 elsewhere the day of any primary or election.

11 (3) A county employee who cannot vote due to duties
12 relating to the conduct of elections.

13 (4) A person who will not attend a polling place because
14 of an observance of a religious holiday.

15 (b) Contents of letter or document.--The letter or document
16 under subsection (a) shall provide the same information as is
17 provided on forms prescribed by the secretary.

18 (c) Review and processing.--The letter or document shall be
19 subject to the same schedule as other applications for absentee
20 ballots and upon receipt by the county board of elections shall
21 be reviewed and processed in the same fashion as other
22 applications for absentee ballots.

23 (d) Application prepared by political party.--An absentee
24 ballot application form containing the same information as that
25 contained on the form prescribed by the secretary, which was
26 prepared or distributed by a political party and signed by a
27 registered elector, shall be deemed for all purposes as valid
28 and shall be reviewed and processed by the county board of
29 elections in the same manner as applications on forms prescribed
30 by the secretary and supplied by the county board of elections.]

1 Section 7. Title 25 is amended by adding a section to read:
2 § 3303. Early voting.

3 (a) Establishment.--The Secretary of State shall allow
4 electors to vote early at the county board of elections office
5 and additional sites as designated by the county board of
6 elections.

7 (b) Sites.--The Secretary of State may designate any city
8 hall or permanent public library facility as early voting sites.
9 If designated, the sites must be geographically located to
10 provide voters in the county an equal opportunity to cast a
11 ballot, as is practicable.

12 (c) Results.--The results or tabulation of votes cast during
13 early voting may not be made before the close of the polls on
14 election day. Early voting results shall be reported in the same
15 manner as votes cast on election day.

16 (d) Designation of sites.--The Secretary of State shall
17 designate each early voting site by no later than the 30th day
18 prior to an election and each local elections board shall
19 undertake steps to inform the public about early voting and the
20 locations of early voting centers in each county.

21 (e) Opening and closing.--Voting sites shall be open on the
22 same days for the same amount of time and shall allow any person
23 in line at the closing of an early voting site to vote. Early
24 voting sites shall open no sooner than 7 a.m. and close no later
25 than 8 p.m. on each applicable day.

26 (f) Duration.--Early voting shall begin on the 30th day
27 before an election and end at 6 p.m. on the Sunday before an
28 election. For a special election, early voting shall begin on
29 the eighth day before an election and end on the second day
30 before an election. Early voting shall be provided for 10 hours

1 per weekday and eight hours on each Saturday and Sunday at each
2 site during the applicable periods.

3 (g) Municipalities.--Municipalities may provide early voting
4 in municipal elections that are not held in conjunction with
5 county or State elections. If a municipality provides early
6 voting, it may designate as many sites as necessary and shall
7 conduct its activities in accordance with the provisions of
8 subsections (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e).

9 (h) Early voting period.--

10 (1) During early voting periods, each judge of elections
11 shall make available the names of voters and total number of
12 voters casting a ballot at each early voting location during
13 the previous day. The information shall be updated and made
14 available no later than 12 noon of each day and shall be
15 contemporaneously provided to the Department of State. The
16 ballot of each elector voting early shall be counted even if
17 the elector dies on or before election day.

18 (2) A list of voters who voted early shall be a matter
19 of public record.

20 (i) Early voting voter certificate.--The elector must
21 provide identification and must complete an early voting voter
22 certificate in substantially the following form:

23 EARLY VOTING VOTER CERTIFICATE

24 I,....., am a qualified elector in this election and
25 registered voter of County, Pennsylvania. I do
26 solemnly swear or affirm that I am the person listed on the
27 voter registration rolls of County and that I
28 reside at the listed address. I understand that if I vote
29 unlawfully or attempt to vote unlawfully, I could be convicted
30 of a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall, upon conviction,

1 be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding \$10,000 and to
2 imprisonment for not more than five years. I understand that my
3 failure to sign this certificate invalidates my ballot.

4 (Voter's Signature).....

5 (Address).....

6 (City/State).....

7 (j) Challenges.--A challenged voter shall vote a provisional
8 ballot. The judge of elections and the minority and majority
9 inspectors shall review the ballot and decide the validity of
10 the ballot by majority vote.

11 (k) Returns.--The canvass of returns for ballots cast under
12 this section shall be substantially the same as votes cast by
13 qualified electors in election districts.

14 Section 8. Title 25 is amended by adding chapters to read:

15 CHAPTER 34

16 VOTE BY MAIL

17 Sec.

18 3401. Definitions.

19 3402. Procedure for user of mail-in ballot.

20 3403. Publication of notice.

21 3404. Printing of mail-in ballots.

22 3405. Verification of voter's signature.

23 3406. Delivery of mail-in ballots.

24 3407. Lists of applications and returned mail-in ballots.

25 3408. Mail-in ballot format.

26 3409. Preparation and transmission of mail-in ballots.

27 3410. Certificate of mail-in voter.

28 3411. Certification by board.

29 3412. Marking of mail-in voter's record.

30 3413. Marking and delivery of mail-in ballot.

- 1 3414. Processing of mail-in ballots.
2 3415. Counting of mail-in ballots.
3 3416. Mail-in ballot deemed valid.
4 3417. Prohibition.
5 3418. Rejection of ballot mailed in by voter subsequently
6 deceased.
7 3419. Opening of mail-in ballots.
8 3420. Record of mail-in ballots delivered.
9 3421. Records of mail-in ballots.
10 3422. No election held invalid due to mail-in ballots.
11 3423. Ballot required to be sealed before delivery.
12 3424. Information for voters using mail-in ballots.
13 3425. Duties of board.
14 3426. Mail-in ballot fraud.
15 § 3401. Definitions.

16 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
17 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
18 context clearly indicates otherwise:

19 "Board." A county board of elections.

20 "Department." The Department of State of the Commonwealth.

21 "Mail-in ballot." A ballot used by a mail-in voter in any
22 election.

23 "Mail-in voter." A qualified and registered voter of this
24 Commonwealth who votes in any election using a mail-in ballot
25 under the provisions of this chapter.

26 "Qualified elector." As defined in section 102 of the act of
27 June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania
28 Election Code.

29 "Secretary." The Secretary of the Commonwealth.

30 "Statewide voter registration system." The Statewide Uniform

1 Registry of Electors established by Subchapter B of Chapter 12
2 (relating to Statewide Uniform Registry of Electors (SURE)).
3 § 3402. Procedure for user of mail-in ballot.

4 (a) General rule.--A qualified elector may vote using a
5 mail-in ballot in any election held in this Commonwealth.

6 (b) Application process.--A qualified elector may apply to
7 the board in the county in which the elector's voting residence
8 is located for a mail-in ballot. The application must be
9 received by the board not less than seven days before an
10 election in which the qualified elector seeks to vote by mail.
11 The application shall be in writing on a form prepared by the
12 secretary, shall be signed by the applicant and shall state the
13 applicant's voting residence and the address to which the ballot
14 shall be sent. A qualified elector who is a member of the armed
15 forces of the United States may use a Federal postcard
16 application form to apply for a mail-in ballot.

17 (c) In-person application.--A qualified elector may apply
18 for a mail-in ballot in person to the board in the county in
19 which the elector's voting residence is located no later than 3
20 p.m. of the day before the election.

21 (d) Continuing application.--A qualified elector seeking to
22 vote only by mail-in ballot in general elections in which the
23 elector is eligible to vote, and who states that preference on
24 an application for a mail-in ballot, shall be furnished a mail-
25 in ballot by the board without further request of the elector
26 and until the elector requests that the elector not be sent a
27 mail-in ballot. A qualified elector, on an application for a
28 mail-in ballot, may opt to receive a mail-in ballot for each
29 election that takes place during the remainder of the calendar
30 year in which the application is submitted. A qualified elector

1 who exercises this option shall be furnished, without further
2 request of the elector, a mail-in ballot for each election that
3 takes place during the remainder of the calendar year. A person
4 voting by mail-in ballot who registers by mail after January 1,
5 2019, who did not provide personal identification information
6 when registering and is voting for the first time in the
7 person's current county of residence following registration
8 shall include copies of the required identification information
9 with the mail-in ballot. Failure to include the information with
10 the mail-in ballot shall result in its rejection.

11 (e) Suspension of mail-in ballots.--If a qualified elector
12 who has requested a mail-in ballot for all elections does not
13 complete and return the ballot for canvassing for the fourth
14 general election following the general election at which the
15 elector last voted, the board shall notify the elector by mail
16 that the board must verify that the elector resides at the
17 address recorded on the elector's registration and is eligible
18 to vote. If the notice is not completed and returned by the
19 qualified elector to the board before the 40th day prior to the
20 next general election, a mail-in ballot shall not be sent to the
21 elector for that election. The qualified elector may not receive
22 a mail-in ballot for future elections until the elector submits
23 a new application for a mail-in ballot.

24 (f) Inactive electors.--The board shall not transmit a mail-
25 in ballot to a person who is deemed to be an inactive voter or
26 whose registration record has been canceled.

27 § 3403. Publication of notice.

28 (a) Notice.--The board shall publish a notice in
29 substantially the following form:

30 NOTICE OF MAIL-IN BALLOT APPLICATION PROCEDURES

1 If you are a qualified and registered voter of this
2 Commonwealth who wants to vote by mail in the
3 (municipal, primary, general or other) election to be held on
4 (date of election), complete the application form
5 below and send it to the County Board of Elections at the
6 address below, or write or apply in person to the County
7 Board of Elections requesting that a mail-in ballot be
8 forwarded to you. The request must state your home address
9 and the address to which the ballot should be sent. The
10 request must be dated and signed.

11 If any person has assisted you to complete the mail-in
12 ballot application, the name, address and signature of the
13 assistor must be provided on the application, and you must
14 sign and date the application for it to be valid and
15 processed.

16 No mail-in ballot will be provided to an applicant who
17 submits a request by mail unless the request is received at
18 least seven days before the election and contains the
19 requested information. A voter may, however, request an
20 application in person from the County Board of Elections no
21 later than 3 p.m. of the day before the election.

22 A voter who wants to vote only by mail in all future
23 general elections in which the voter is eligible to vote, and
24 who states that on the application, shall, after the initial
25 request and without further action on the voter's part, be
26 provided a mail-in ballot for each general election until the
27 voter requests that the voter no longer be sent a mail-in
28 ballot. A voter's failure to vote in the fourth general
29 election following the general election at which the voter
30 last voted may result in the suspension of that voter's

1 ability to receive a mail-in ballot for all future general
2 elections unless a new application is completed and filed
3 with the County Board of Elections.

4 A voter also has the option of indicating on the mail-in
5 ballot application that the voter would prefer to receive
6 mail-in ballots for each election that takes place during the
7 remainder of the calendar year. A voter who exercises this
8 option will be furnished with mail-in ballots for each
9 election that takes place during the remainder of this
10 calendar year, without further action on the voter's part.

11 Application forms may be obtained by applying to the
12 County Board of Elections either in writing or by telephone,
13 or the application form provided below may be completed and
14 forwarded to the County Board of Elections.

15 Dated.....
16
17 (address of board)
18
19 (telephone number of board)

20 (b) Overseas voters.--The secretary shall provide
21 information regarding overseas Federal election ballots to a
22 qualified elector eligible for a mail-in ballot. The secretary
23 shall also make available valid overseas Federal election voter
24 registration and ballot applications to a qualified elector who
25 is a member of the armed forces of the United States and who is
26 a permanent resident of this Commonwealth, or who is an overseas
27 Federal election voter who wishes to register to vote or to vote
28 in any jurisdiction in this Commonwealth. The secretary shall
29 provide public notice as may be deemed necessary to inform
30 members of the armed forces of the United States and overseas

1 Federal election voters how to obtain valid overseas Federal
2 election voter registration and ballot applications.

3 (c) Publicity program.--The secretary shall undertake a
4 program to inform voters in this Commonwealth about their
5 eligibility to vote by mail under this chapter. Dissemination of
6 this information shall be effectuated by any means that the
7 secretary deems appropriate and to the extent that funds for the
8 dissemination are appropriated, including, but not limited to,
9 by means of Statewide or local electronic media, public service
10 announcements, notices on the publicly accessible Internet
11 website of the department or any other agency of this
12 Commonwealth deemed appropriate by the secretary and special
13 mailings or notices in newspapers or other publications
14 circulating in the counties or municipalities of this
15 Commonwealth.

16 (d) Identification.--The mail-in ballot materials shall
17 contain a notice that any person voting by mail-in ballot who
18 has registered by mail after January 1, 2019, who did not
19 provide personal identification information when registering and
20 is voting for the first time in the person's current county of
21 residence shall include copies of the required identification
22 information with the mail-in ballot, and that failure to include
23 the information shall result in the rejection of the ballot.

24 (e) Publication.--The notice under subsection (a) shall be
25 published not less than 50 days immediately preceding an
26 election. Notices relating to any Statewide or countywide
27 election shall be published in at least two newspapers published
28 in each county. The board shall publish the notices in at least
29 one newspaper published in each municipality in which the
30 election is to be held or, if no newspaper is published in the

1 municipality, in a newspaper published in the county and
2 circulating in the municipality. All notices shall be display
3 advertisements.

4 § 3404. Printing of mail-in ballots.

5 (a) General rule.--A board shall print sufficient mail-in
6 ballots for each election. Along with the ballots, the board
7 shall also furnish inner and outer envelopes and printed
8 directions for the preparation and transmitting of the mail-in
9 ballots used in the election in the county.

10 (b) Paper type.--The mail-in ballots shall be printed on
11 paper of a different color from that used for any primary or
12 general election ballot, but in all other respects shall be as
13 nearly as possible facsimiles of the election ballot to be voted
14 at the election.

15 § 3405. Verification of voter's signature.

16 (a) Verification.--Upon receipt of a request for a mail-in
17 ballot, the board shall cause the signature of the applicant to
18 be compared with the signature of the person appearing on the
19 district register, or the digitized image of the voter's
20 signature stored in the Statewide voter registration system, to
21 determine from the examination, and any other available
22 information, if the applicant is a voter qualified to cast a
23 ballot in the election and determine in the case of a primary
24 election the political party primary in which the voter is
25 entitled to vote.

26 (b) Approval or disapproval.--If, after examination, the
27 board is satisfied that the applicant is entitled to a ballot,
28 the board shall mark the application "approved." If, after
29 examination, the board determines that the applicant is not
30 entitled to a ballot, the board shall mark the application

1 "disapproved" and shall notify the applicant, stating the reason
2 for the disapproval.

3 § 3406. Delivery of mail-in ballots.

4 (a) Delivery method.--Starting on the 40th day before the
5 day an election is held, a board shall forward mail-in ballots
6 by first-class mail or hand delivery to each mail-in voter whose
7 request for a mail-in ballot has been approved. Mail-in ballots
8 that have been approved before the 40th day before an election
9 shall be forwarded or delivered no later than the third business
10 day following that 40th day. Hand delivery of a mail-in ballot
11 shall be made by the board or the board's designee only to the
12 voter, or the voter's authorized messenger, who must appear in
13 person. No person may serve as an authorized messenger for more
14 than 10 qualified voters in an election. Ballots that have not
15 been hand-delivered shall be addressed to the voter at the
16 forwarding address given in the application.

17 (b) Timing.--

18 (1) Whenever the board forwards a mail-in ballot by mail
19 to a mail-in voter between the 40th day and the 13th day
20 before the day of an election, the ballot shall be
21 transmitted within three business days of the receipt of the
22 application.

23 (2) Whenever the board forwards a mail-in ballot by mail
24 to a mail-in voter between the 12th day and the seventh day
25 before the day of an election, the ballot shall be
26 transmitted within two business days of the receipt of the
27 application.

28 § 3407. Lists of applications and returned mail-in ballots.

29 (a) List of applications.--Each board shall keep one list of
30 the applications for mail-in ballots received and another list

1 of the applicants whose applications were approved and sent
2 mail-in ballots. Each list shall include the name and street
3 address of each person requesting or receiving a mail-in ballot.
4 The board shall update the lists each business day, and the
5 lists shall be made available to the public and transmitted to
6 all election officials charged with the duty of administering
7 this chapter.

8 (b) List of returned mail-in ballots.--Each board shall keep
9 a list of the name and street address of each person who returns
10 a voted mail-in ballot and the name and street address of each
11 person who delivers the ballot personally to the board. The
12 board shall update the list each business day, and it shall be
13 accessible to the public and transmitted to all election
14 officials charged with the duty of administering this chapter.
15 The board shall keep the lists required by this section starting
16 no later than the 14th day before the day of the election and
17 continue to do so until the day of the election.

18 § 3408. Mail-in ballot format.

19 (a) Conformity with other ballots and notice.--Mail-in
20 ballots to be used during any election shall conform generally
21 to the ballot to be used during the election in the voter's
22 district but the ballots shall be clearly marked "official mail-
23 in ballot." At the top of every mail-in ballot there shall be
24 printed or stamped in a prominent size the following:

25 To protect your vote:

26 IT IS AGAINST THE LAW FOR ANYONE EXCEPT YOU THE VOTER TO
27 MARK OR INSPECT THIS BALLOT.

28 However, a family member may assist you in doing so.

29 (b) Format.--Mail-in ballots shall be printed entirely in
30 black ink. In addition to conforming generally to the ballot

1 used in the election, the mail-in ballot shall be prepared so
2 that the voter may indicate on it the voter's choice of
3 candidates for the offices to be filled and public questions to
4 be voted on during the election by the voters of the entire
5 State or political subdivision in which the voter is a resident,
6 as known on the 48th day preceding the election. Sufficient
7 space shall be provided on the ballot for the voter to write in
8 the name of and vote for any candidate, or the voter's personal
9 choice, for any public office to be voted for during the
10 election in the voter's election district. A list of the
11 candidates for the offices to be filled in each election
12 district in the county, whose names are known on the day on
13 which the ballot is forwarded but do not appear on the ballot,
14 with a statement of the office for which each is a candidate,
15 shall be forwarded with the mail-in ballot.

16 (c) Candidates.--When mail-in ballots are prepared, the name
17 of a candidate who has been nominated for an office shall be
18 placed on the ballot to be used in the general election to be
19 held in that year in each election district in which the nominee
20 is a candidate, whether or not the candidate has accepted
21 nomination prior to when the ballot was prepared, unless the
22 candidate has not declined the nomination before the ballot was
23 prepared.

24 (d) Primary election ballots.--Mail-in ballots to be used
25 during any presidential primary election or primary election for
26 the general election shall, except as otherwise provided,
27 conform to the ballot to be used during the election in the
28 voter's election district and to the form prescribed in this
29 section for mail-in ballots to be used in general elections. It
30 shall be prepared so that the voter may indicate the voter's

1 choice of the candidates of one political party for each of the
2 offices to be voted on during the election by the voters of the
3 election district and shall be separated into party ballots,
4 which shall be printed upon one sheet when the voting system so
5 allows. The mail-in ballots shall be plainly marked to indicate
6 that only one party ballot is to be voted by each voter and that
7 the party ballot voted by the voter must conform to the name of
8 the political party indicated by the board. If the board has
9 determined by investigating a voter's registration record that
10 the voter is qualified to vote only in the primary of a
11 particular party, the board shall note on the primary ballot the
12 party primary in which the voter is entitled to vote. If the
13 board determines through investigating the voter's registration
14 record that the applicant is requesting a ballot to vote in the
15 first primary for which the voter is eligible after
16 registration, the board shall note on the primary ballot that
17 the voter may vote in the primary of any political party.

18 (e) Electronic canvassing systems.--A county may adopt a
19 system of electronic scanning or another mechanical or
20 electronic device if the system has been approved previously by
21 the secretary to count or canvass mail-in ballots. The board in
22 any county adopting a system may prepare and use mail-in ballots
23 that do not conform generally to the ballot to be used during
24 the election to the extent that the nonconformance is necessary
25 in the operation of the electronic or mechanical canvassing
26 system.

27 § 3409. Preparation and transmission of mail-in ballots.

28 (a) Directions and outer envelope.--Each board shall send,
29 with each mail-in ballot, printed directions for the preparation
30 and transmitting of the ballots as required by this chapter. The

1 directions shall be printed in the manner and form as required
2 by the secretary, together with two envelopes of such sizes that
3 one will contain the other. The outer envelope shall be
4 addressed to the board of the county in which is located the
5 home address of the person to whom the mail-in ballot is sent,
6 as certified by the board. At the discretion of the board, the
7 outer envelope may be a postage-paid return envelope. On the
8 outside and front of each outer envelope, there shall be printed
9 or stamped the following:

10 To protect your vote:

11 IT IS AGAINST THE LAW FOR ANYONE EXCEPT YOU THE VOTER TO
12 MAIL OR TRANSPORT THIS BALLOT UNLESS THE ENVELOPE IS
13 SEALED AND THE FOLLOWING IS COMPLETED:

14Ballot mailed or transported by

15(signature of bearer)

16(print name of bearer)

17(address of bearer)

18 The reverse side of the outer envelope shall contain the
19 following:

20 REMINDER

21 For your vote to count, you must:

22 1. Vote your ballot and place it in the inner envelope
23 with the attached certificate.

24 2. Seal the envelope.

25 3. Place the envelope into the larger envelope addressed
26 to the board of elections and seal that envelope.

27 4. If another person will be mailing your ballot or
28 bringing it to the board of elections, MAKE CERTAIN THAT
29 PERSON COMPLETES THE "BEARER PORTION" ON THE ENVELOPE
30 ADDRESSED TO THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS BEFORE THE BALLOT IS

1 TAKEN FROM YOU. NO PERSON WHO IS A CANDIDATE IN THE
2 ELECTION FOR WHICH THE VOTER REQUESTS THIS BALLOT IS
3 PERMITTED TO SERVE AS A BEARER.

4 (b) Changes to instructions.--The secretary is authorized to
5 make changes to the instructions for mail-in ballot materials if
6 the secretary deems it necessary or if mandated by Federal or
7 State law.

8 (c) Inner envelope.--The inner envelope shall be so designed
9 that it can be sealed after the mail-in ballot has been placed
10 in the inner envelope, and the flap of the inner envelope shall
11 be of a length and size that leaves sufficient margin, after
12 being sealed, for the printing on the flap of the certificate
13 described in section 3410 (relating to certificate of mail-in
14 voter). The flap shall be so arranged that, after the inner
15 envelope has been sealed, the certificate can be contained, with
16 the inner envelope, in the outer envelope, and that the margin
17 containing the certificate can be detached without unsealing the
18 inner envelope. On the outside of each envelope in which a mail-
19 in ballot is sent to a mail-in voter by the board, there shall
20 be printed or stamped the words "official mail-in ballot." In
21 addition, there shall be printed or stamped the following:

22 To protect your vote:

23 IT IS AGAINST THE LAW FOR ANYONE EXCEPT YOU THE VOTER TO
24 OPEN, MARK, INSPECT OR SEAL THIS BALLOT.

25 However, a family member may assist you in doing so.

26 The reverse side of each inner envelope shall contain the
27 following statement:

28 A PERSON MAY BE FINED AND IMPRISONED AND MAY ALSO LOSE
29 THE RIGHT TO VOTE UNTIL RESTORED BY LAW if that person
30 attempts to vote fraudulently by mail-in ballot, prevents

1 the voting of a legal voter, certifies falsely any
2 information, interferes with a person's secrecy of
3 voting, tampers with ballots or election documents or
4 helps another person to do so.

5 § 3410. Certificate of mail-in voter.

6 On the margin of the flap on the inner envelopes to be sent
7 to mail-in voters there shall be printed a certificate in the
8 following form:

9 CERTIFICATE OF MAIL-IN VOTER

10 I, (print your name clearly), whose home address
11 is (street address or R.D. Number
12 (municipality), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, subject to the penalties
13 for fraudulent voting, that I am the person who applied for
14 the enclosed ballot. I MARKED AND SEALED THIS BALLOT AND
15 CERTIFICATE IN SECRET. However, a family member may assist me
16 in doing so.

17

18 (signature of voter)

19 A person providing assistance shall complete the following:

20 I do hereby certify that I am the person who provided
21 assistance to this voter and declare that I will maintain the
22 secrecy of this ballot.

23

24 (signature of person providing assistance)

25

26 (printed name of person providing assistance)

27

28

29 (address of person providing assistance)

30 § 3411. Certification by board.

1 Each board shall, from time to time and prior to each
2 election, certify in writing under oath to the secretary the
3 names and addresses of the persons to whom mail-in ballots to be
4 voted during the election have been delivered or forwarded under
5 this chapter.

6 § 3412. Marking of mail-in voter's record.

7 (a) Marking of record.--The board shall mark the mail-in
8 voter's record in the Statewide voter registration system and
9 duplicate voting record appearing on the signature copy
10 registers. Whenever a mail-in ballot has been forwarded to a
11 voter during the time when the signature copy registers are in
12 the custody of other election officials as provided by law, or
13 are in transit to or from those officials, the board shall,
14 prior to the opening of the polls on election day, forward to
15 each polling place a list of all the voters to whom ballots have
16 been sent but whose duplicate voting record has not been marked
17 in the manner prescribed. The lists may be prepared in the same
18 manner as a challenge sheet and may be included together with
19 other causes for challenge. A person whose name appears on a
20 list or notice furnished by the board to the effect that the
21 voter has received a mail-in ballot, but appears at the polling
22 place on the day of an election, shall be permitted to vote by
23 provisional ballot after completing the affirmation statement
24 attached to the envelope provided with the provisional ballot.

25 (b) Notice to judge of polling place.--Whenever a mail-in
26 ballot has been delivered to a voter less than seven days before
27 an election and up to 3 p.m. of the day before the election, and
28 the signature copy registers are in the custody of other
29 election officials or in transit to or from those officials, the
30 board shall prepare a master list of those mail-in ballots and

1 shall notify the judge of the polling place to mark the voter's
2 record accordingly.

3 § 3413. Marking and delivery of mail-in ballot.

4 (a) Marking of mail-in ballot.--A mail-in voter is entitled
5 to mark a mail-in ballot forwarded to the voter for voting
6 during any election by indicating the voter's choice of
7 candidates for the offices named, and as to public questions, if
8 any, stated on the ballot, in accordance with current law. In
9 the case of ballots to be voted for a primary election, the
10 voter's choice shall be limited to the candidates of the voter's
11 political party or to a person whose name is written on the
12 ballot by the voter. When so marked, the ballot shall be placed
13 in the inner envelope, which shall then be sealed, and the voter
14 shall then fill in the form of certificate attached to the inner
15 envelope, at the end of which the voter shall sign and print the
16 voter's name. The inner envelope with the certificate shall then
17 be placed in the outer envelope, which shall then be sealed.

18 (b) Tampering.--No mail-in voter may permit a person, except
19 as provided by this chapter, to unseal, mark or inspect the
20 voter's ballot, interfere with the secrecy of the voter's vote,
21 complete or sign the certificate or seal the inner or outer
22 envelope.

23 (c) Assistance.--A mail-in voter may receive assistance from
24 a family member in performing any of the actions provided for in
25 this section. The family member providing assistance shall
26 certify that the family member assisted the voter and will
27 maintain the secrecy of the vote by both printing and signing
28 the family member's name in the space provided on the
29 certificate. In no event may a candidate for election provide
30 assistance, nor may any person, at the time of providing

1 assistance, campaign or electioneer on behalf of a candidate.

2 (d) Delivery to board.--

3 (1) The sealed outer envelope with the inner envelope
4 and the ballot enclosed shall either be mailed to the board
5 to which it is addressed or delivered personally by the voter
6 or a bearer designated by the voter to the board. To be
7 counted, the ballot must be received by the board or its
8 designee before the time designated for the closing of the
9 polls on the day of an election.

10 (2) Whenever a person delivers a ballot to the board,
11 that person shall sign a record maintained by the county of
12 all mail-in ballots personally delivered to it.

13 (3) No person may serve as an authorized messenger for
14 more than 10 qualified voters in an election. No person who
15 is a candidate in the election for which the voter requests a
16 mail-in ballot may serve as an authorized messenger. The
17 messenger, by signing the certification, certifies receipt of
18 a mail-in ballot directly from the voter and is authorized to
19 deliver the ballot to the board on behalf of the voter.

20 § 3414. Processing of mail-in ballots.

21 (a) Actions upon receipt of ballot.--The board shall,
22 promptly after receiving each mail-in ballot, remove the inner
23 envelope containing the ballot from the outer envelope and shall
24 compare the signature and the information contained on the flap
25 of the inner envelope with the signature and information
26 contained in the respective requests for mail-in ballots. For
27 mail-in ballots issued less than seven days prior to an
28 election, the board shall verify that the mail-in voter did not
29 vote in person. The board shall reject a ballot if it is not
30 satisfied, pursuant to a comparison with the Statewide voter

1 registration system, that the voter is legally entitled to vote
2 and that the ballot conforms with the requirements of this
3 chapter.

4 (b) Primary elections.--In the case of a mail-in ballot to
5 be voted during a primary election, the ballot shall be rejected
6 if the mail-in voter has indicated in the certificate the
7 voter's intention to vote in a primary election of any political
8 party and if it shall appear from the record that the voter is
9 not entitled to vote in a primary election of the political
10 party which has been so indicated.

11 (c) Seal.--A mail-in ballot which is received by the board
12 shall be rejected if:

13 (1) both the inner and outer envelopes are unsealed; or

14 (2) either envelope has a seal that has been tampered
15 with.

16 § 3415. Counting of mail-in ballots.

17 The board shall count all valid mail-in ballots received by
18 the board prior to the time designated by law for the closing of
19 the polls for each election.

20 § 3416. Mail-in ballot deemed valid.

21 No mail-in ballot may be rejected or declared invalid because
22 it does not contain all of the names of the candidates or all of
23 the public questions to be voted for in the election district in
24 the election in which it is to be counted. A mail-in ballot
25 shall be counted in determining the result of the election as to
26 an office or public question if the designation of the office
27 and the name of the candidate for election to the office or the
28 answer to the public question is indicated on the ballot to
29 demonstrate the voter's choice.

30 § 3417. Prohibition.

1 (a) General rule.--If a person returns a voted mail-in
2 ballot to the board, the person shall not be permitted to vote
3 in person at a polling place on the day of the election.

4 (b) Exceptions.--The following persons shall be permitted to
5 vote in person by provisional ballot at the polling place in the
6 voter's election district on the day of election:

7 (1) A person who has applied for a mail-in ballot and
8 not received either the ballot or an explanation for not
9 receiving the ballot from the board.

10 (2) A person who has applied for and received a mail-in
11 ballot and has not transmitted it to the board nor given it
12 to a messenger for delivery to the board before the time for
13 the opening of the polls on the day of an election.

14 § 3418. Rejection of ballot mailed in by voter subsequently
15 deceased.

16 Whenever the board receives evidence that a mail-in voter who
17 has marked and forwarded a mail-in ballot has died before the
18 opening of the polls on the day of the election, the board shall
19 reject the ballot.

20 § 3419. Opening of mail-in ballots.

21 (a) Opening of ballots.--On the day of an election a board
22 shall open the inner envelopes that contain the mail-in ballots
23 with the votes cast for the election. The inner envelopes
24 containing the ballots that the board has rejected shall not be
25 so opened, but shall be retained. The board shall then proceed
26 to canvass the votes cast on the mail-in ballots. No ballot may
27 be counted in any primary election if the ballot of the
28 political party marked for voting differs from the designation
29 of the political party for which the ballot is intended to be
30 voted as marked on the envelope by the board.

1 (b) Certification.--Immediately after the canvass is
2 completed, each board shall certify the result of the canvass to
3 the secretary or other appropriate officer, as the case may be,
4 showing the result of the canvass by election district. The
5 votes canvassed shall be counted in determining the result of
6 the election.

7 (c) Members of county committees.--The board shall,
8 immediately after the canvass is completed for a primary
9 election, certify the results of the votes cast for members of
10 the county committees to the appropriate officer, and those
11 votes shall be counted in determining the result of the
12 election.

13 § 3420. Record of mail-in ballots delivered.

14 As soon as practicable after each election, a board shall
15 record in the Statewide voter registration system and any
16 duplicate voting record the delivery or forwarding of mail-in
17 ballots to the respective registered voters. For each mail-in
18 ballot that has been voted, received and counted, the board
19 shall, by reference to the certificates removed from the inner
20 envelopes of the ballots, place the word "voted" in the space
21 provided in the Statewide voter registration system and
22 duplicate voting record for recording the ballot number of the
23 voter's ballot in the election. In the case of a primary
24 election, the board shall note in the Statewide voter
25 registration system or other record of voting the first three
26 letters of the name of the political party primary in which the
27 ballot was voted. The record contained in the Statewide voter
28 registration system and of registration cards contained in the
29 district register shall be conformed to the entries made under
30 this section.

1 § 3421. Records of mail-in ballots.

2 A board shall keep, for two years, the requests and
3 applications for mail-in ballots, voted mail-in ballots and
4 certificates that have been detached or separated by them from
5 the inner envelopes. Inner envelopes together with their
6 certificates and the contents of those envelopes not opened
7 shall also be retained for the same period by the board. A
8 district attorney shall have the authority to impound all mail-
9 in ballots whenever the district attorney shall deem it
10 necessary.

11 § 3422. No election held invalid due to mail-in ballots.

12 No election may be held to be invalid due to any irregularity
13 or failure in the preparation or forwarding of mail-in ballots.

14 § 3423. Ballot required to be sealed before delivery.

15 No person may accept a mail-in ballot from a voter or another
16 person having custody of it and no voter or other person having
17 custody of a mail-in ballot shall give a mail-in ballot to a
18 person for the purpose of delivering the mail-in ballot to the
19 board or to a postal box or post office unless the ballot is
20 sealed in the outer envelope and the person who transports or
21 delivers it first signs and prints the person's name on the
22 outer envelope.

23 § 3424. Information for voters using mail-in ballots.

24 (a) Posting required.--The secretary shall post on the
25 VotesPA Internet website established and maintained by the
26 department that an individual who casts a mail-in ballot may
27 ascertain:

28 (1) Whether an application for a mail-in ballot has been
29 approved and, if not, the reason for its rejection.

30 (2) Whether the mail-in ballot was accepted for counting

1 and, if the ballot was not counted, the reason for the
2 rejection of the ballot.

3 (b) Records confidential.--The system shall at all times
4 preserve the confidentiality of each person who has requested an
5 application to vote by mail-in ballot or who has voted by mail-
6 in ballot, and shall ensure that no person, other than the
7 individual who requested or cast the ballot, may discover
8 whether or not that individual's application or ballot was
9 accepted, unless so informed by the voter.

10 § 3425. Duties of board.

11 A board shall:

12 (1) Publish, in advance of an election in accordance
13 with rules and regulations promulgated by the secretary,
14 official notice that the election shall be conducted by mail,
15 together with any other information regarding the conduct of
16 the election deemed necessary by the secretary.

17 (2) Mail a ballot, including an outer envelope and an
18 inner envelope substantially similar to the envelopes
19 provided for mail-in ballots, not sooner than the 20th day
20 prior to the day of the election nor later than the 14th day
21 prior to the day of the election, to each person registered
22 to vote in the county during that election.

23 (3) Designate the board's office as the place to obtain
24 a replacement ballot.

25 (4) Designate places within the county that shall be
26 available for the deposit of voted ballots for the election.

27 (5) Make a provisional ballot available at the office of
28 the board so that each person who has been a resident of an
29 election district in which the person seeks to register and
30 vote at least 21 days prior to the day of the election and

1 has moved to a location within the county after that 21st day
2 prior to the day of the election may vote.

3 (6) Distribute to each registered voter in the county
4 with each ballot a copy of the voter information notice
5 provided for and supplemented by the secretary as deemed
6 appropriate for use in counties conducting elections by mail
7 along with instruction about the completion of the ballot as
8 deemed necessary by the secretary.

9 (7) Make certain that qualified voters in the county
10 requesting a mail-in ballot between the 40th day and the 21st
11 day prior to the day of an election receive the ballot after
12 the 20th day prior to the day of an election and that voters
13 requesting a ballot on or before the seventh day prior to the
14 date of the election receive a ballot as authorized.

15 (8) Establish, in consultation with the secretary, the
16 time by which all ballots must be received by the board on
17 the day of an election to be considered valid and counted.

18 § 3426. Mail-in ballot fraud.

19 (a) Offense.--A person who commits any of the following acts
20 commits a misdemeanor of the third degree:

21 (1) Fraudulently votes or attempts to vote by mail or
22 enables or attempts to enable another person not entitled to
23 vote or to vote by mail to vote fraudulently by mail.

24 (2) Prevents or attempts to prevent by fraud the voting
25 of a person legally entitled to vote by mail.

26 (b) Penalty.--A person convicted under subsection (a) shall
27 be subject, in addition to such other penalties authorized by
28 law, to disenfranchisement for a period of time determined by
29 the court.

30 CHAPTER 37

1 VOTER EDUCATION

2 Sec.

3 3701. Definitions.

4 3702. Notice of enacted changes to law.

5 3703. Voter education plan.

6 § 3701. Definitions.

7 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
8 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
9 context clearly indicates otherwise:

10 "Demographic group." Each group which section 2 of the
11 Voting Rights Act of 1965 (Public Law 89-110, 52 U.S.C. § 10301
12 et seq.), protects from the denial or abridgment of the right to
13 vote on account of race or color, or in contravention of the
14 guarantees set forth in section 4(f)(2) of that act.

15 § 3702. Notice of enacted changes to law.

16 (a) Duty to provide notice.--

17 (1) If the Commonwealth or a political subdivision of
18 the Commonwealth makes a change in a prerequisite to voting
19 or standard, practice or procedure affecting voting in an
20 election that will result in the prerequisite, standard,
21 practice or procedure being different from the prior
22 election, the Commonwealth or political subdivision shall
23 provide reasonable public notice in the Commonwealth or
24 political subdivision and on the Internet in a reasonably
25 convenient and accessible format.

26 (2) The notice shall contain a concise description of
27 the change, including the difference between the changed
28 prerequisite, standard, practice or procedure and the
29 prerequisite, standard, practice or procedure that was
30 previously in effect.

1 (3) The Commonwealth or political subdivision shall
2 provide the public notice required under paragraph (1) not
3 later than 48 hours after making the change involved. If the
4 change occurs fewer than 48 hours before the date of the
5 election, public notice shall be made as soon as practicable
6 after the change occurs.

7 (b) Types of changes.--The types of changes that require
8 public notice include changes in:

9 (1) Polling place names, numbers, locations or changes
10 affecting out-of-precinct voting.

11 (2) Resources assigned to each polling place, including
12 number of voting machines, number of volunteer workers and
13 number of paid workers.

14 (3) Days and hours of voting, including access to
15 evening and weekend voting.

16 (4) Voter identification or verification requirements at
17 the polls.

18 (5) Changes to voter registration or verification
19 requirements, including the ability to register and update
20 registration at the polls.

21 (6) Voter challenge procedures.

22 (7) Absentee and provisional ballot procedures.

23 (8) Voter assistance rules and procedures.

24 (9) Changes to the method of election to add seats
25 elected at-large or to change one or more seats elected by
26 single-member seats.

27 (10) Reductions in the kind or type of voting materials
28 that are provided in a language other than English or changes
29 to the manner in which such materials are provided or
30 distributed.

1 (11) Any changes to the boundaries of a jurisdiction
2 that reduces by three or more percentage points the
3 proportion of the jurisdiction's voting-age population that
4 is comprised of members of a single racial or language
5 minority group in the jurisdiction.

6 (12) Changes to list maintenance requirements or
7 procedures.

8 (c) Demographic and electoral data.--

9 (1) Not later than 10 days after making any change in
10 the constituency that will participate in an election for
11 Federal, State or local office or the boundaries of an
12 electoral district in an election for Federal, State or local
13 office, including redistricting, reapportionment or changing
14 from at-large elections to district-based elections, the
15 Commonwealth or political subdivision shall provide
16 reasonable public notice of the demographic and electoral
17 data for each of the geographic areas.

18 (2) The geographic areas shall consist of:

19 (i) The Commonwealth as a whole, if the change
20 applies Statewide, or the political subdivision as a
21 whole, if the change applies across the entire political
22 subdivision.

23 (ii) If the change includes a plan to replace or
24 eliminate voting units or electoral districts, each
25 voting unit or electoral district that will be replaced
26 or eliminated.

27 (iii) If the change includes a plan to establish new
28 voting units or electoral districts, each such new voting
29 unit or electoral district.

30 (3) The demographic and electoral data with respect to a

1 geographic area shall consist of:

2 (i) The voting age population, broken down by
3 demographic group.

4 (ii) If it is reasonably available to the
5 Commonwealth or political subdivision involved, an
6 estimate of the population of the area that consists of
7 citizens of the United States who are 18 years of age or
8 older, itemized by demographic group.

9 (iii) The number of registered voters, itemized by
10 demographic group if the itemization is reasonably
11 available to the Commonwealth or political subdivision.

12 (iv) The actual number of votes or, if it is not
13 reasonably practicable for the Commonwealth or political
14 subdivision to ascertain the actual number of votes, the
15 estimated number of votes received by each candidate in
16 each Statewide election and, if the change applies to
17 only one political subdivision, in each subdivision-wide
18 election held during the five-year period which ends on
19 the date the change involved is made.

20 (4) Compliance with this subsection shall be voluntary
21 for a political subdivision unless the political subdivision
22 is one of the following:

23 (i) A county of any class.

24 (ii) A governmental unit with a population greater
25 than 10,000, as determined under the most recent
26 decennial census.

27 (iii) A school district with a population greater
28 than 10,000, as determined under the most recent
29 decennial census.

30 (5) The secretary may issue rules specifying a

1 reasonably convenient and accessible format that the
2 Commonwealth and political subdivisions shall use to provide
3 public notice of information under this section.

4 (d) Construction.--Nothing in this section shall be
5 construed to deny or abridge the right to vote of any person
6 because the person failed to comply with a change made by the
7 Commonwealth or political subdivision, if the Commonwealth or
8 political subdivision involved did not meet the applicable
9 requirements of this section.

10 § 3703. Voter education plan.

11 (a) Duty of secretary.--The secretary shall, in consultation
12 with community organizations and local election administrators,
13 develop and implement a voter education plan for fully educating
14 the public about a new registration or voting change as
15 described in section 3702(b) (relating to notice of enacted
16 changes to law).

17 (b) Multilingual materials.--All materials used in the plan
18 shall be written in consultation with literacy experts and, in a
19 political subdivision where a language minority exceeds 3% of
20 the population, the materials shall be provided in all
21 applicable languages.

22 (c) Components.--Components of the voter education plan
23 shall include the following:

24 (1) Mailings to all known citizens.

25 (2) Educational brochures and fliers to be made
26 available for dissemination by local elections officials,
27 community organizations, civic groups, religious
28 institutions, institutions of higher education and political
29 parties.

30 (3) Newspaper, radio and television advertisements,

1 including ethnic media and outlets with wide public reach.

2 (4) Social media.

3 (5) E-mails to voters with known e-mail addresses.

4 (6) An informational section on the publicly accessible
5 Internet website of the Department of State, including new
6 laws and regulations, copies of the mailers, brochures and
7 other educational materials. The materials shall be available
8 to download and provided in the languages as required under
9 subsection (b).

10 (d) School preregistration.--With respect to preregistration
11 in particular, the secretary shall, in consultation with
12 secondary schools, school boards, parents and local
13 administrators, develop and implement an education plan
14 regarding preregistration in schools.

15 Section 9. Repeals are as follows:

16 (1) The General Assembly declares that the repeal under
17 paragraph (2) is necessary to effectuate the purposes of this
18 act.

19 (2) Article XIII of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333,
20 No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, and any
21 other provision of that act to the extent that it is
22 inconsistent with this act, is repealed.

23 (3) All other acts and parts of acts are repealed
24 insofar as they are inconsistent with this act.

25 Section 10. This act shall take effect in 60 days.