

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 412 Session of 2019

INTRODUCED BY STEFANO, FOLMER, SCHWANK, KILLION, ARGALL, STREET, BARTOLOTTA, COSTA, K. WARD, YUDICHAK, BROWNE, KEARNEY AND BREWSTER, MARCH 19, 2019

SENATOR FOLMER, STATE GOVERNMENT, AS AMENDED, MAY 7, 2019

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, repealing provisions relating to
3 disqualifications for service as election officer.

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

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

8 That section 12 of Article VII be repealed AMENDED TO READ: <--

9 f\$ 12. Disqualifications for service [as election officer]. <--

10 No persons shall be qualified to serve as [an election <--

11 officer] A JUDGE OR INSPECTOR UNDER SECTION 11 OF THIS ARTICLE <--

12 who shall hold, or shall within two months have held any office,

13 appointment or employment in or under the government of the

14 United States, or of this State, or of any city, or county, or

15 of any municipal board, commission or trust in any city, save

16 only notaries public and persons in the National Guard or in a

17 reserve component of the armed forces of the United States; nor

1 shall [any election officer] A JUDGE OR INSPECTOR UNDER SECTION <--
2 11 OF THIS ARTICLE be eligible to any civil office to be filled
3 at an election at which he shall serve, save only to such
4 subordinate municipal or local offices, below the grade of city
5 or county offices, as shall be designated by general law.† <--

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

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