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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 2

Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY AUMENT, K. WARD, PENNYCUICK, LAUGHLIN, COLEMAN,  
ARGALL, BARTOLOTTA, DiSANTO, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, BROOKS,  
HUTCHINSON, ROBINSON, DUSH, BAKER, LANGERHOLC, REGAN,  
GEBHARD, VOGEL, J. WARD AND STEFANO, JANUARY 9, 2023

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REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, JANUARY 9, 2023

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth  
2 of Pennsylvania, further providing for action on concurrent  
3 orders and resolutions.

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 9 of Article III be amended to read:

9 § 9. Action on concurrent orders and resolutions.

10 Every order, resolution or vote, to which the concurrence of  
11 both Houses may be necessary, except on the questions of  
12 adjournment, disapproval of a regulation or termination or  
13 extension of a disaster emergency declaration as declared by an  
14 executive order or proclamation, or portion of a disaster  
15 emergency declaration as declared by an executive order or  
16 proclamation, shall be presented to the Governor and before it  
17 shall take effect be approved by him, or being disapproved,

1 shall be repassed by two-thirds of both Houses according to the  
2 rules and limitations prescribed in case of a bill.

3 Section 2. The following procedure applies to the proposed  
4 constitutional amendment in this joint resolution:

5 (1) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of  
6 the amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall  
7 proceed immediately to comply with the advertising  
8 requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution  
9 of Pennsylvania.

10 (2) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of  
11 the amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall  
12 proceed immediately to comply with the advertising  
13 requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution  
14 of Pennsylvania. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall  
15 submit the amendment to the qualified electors of this  
16 Commonwealth at the first primary, general or municipal  
17 election which meets the requirements of section 1 of Article  
18 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.