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AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled 1 2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, 3 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, primary and election expenses and election contests; creating and defining membership of county boards of elections; 5 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, 6 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; 8 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and 9 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to 10 elections," in the Secretary of the Commonwealth, further 11 12 providing for powers and duties of the Secretary of the 13 Commonwealth; in county boards of elections, further providing for powers and duties of county boards; in 14 preparation for and conduct of primaries and elections, 15 providing for deadline for change of enrollment of political 16 party; in voting by qualified absentee electors, further 17 18 providing for applications for official absentee ballots, for date of application for absentee ballot, for approval of 19 application for absentee ballot, for official absentee voters 20 21 ballots, for voting by absentee electors and for canvassing 22 of official absentee ballots and mail in ballots; in voting 23 by qualified mail in electors, further providing for applications for official mail in ballots, for date of 24 25 application for mail in ballot, for approval of application for mail-in ballot, for official mail-in elector ballots and 26 for voting by mail in electors; and making a related repeal. 27 AMENDING THE ACT OF JUNE 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, NO.320), ENTITLED 28 29 "AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTIONS, INCLUDING GENERAL, MUNICIPAL, 30 SPECIAL AND PRIMARY ELECTIONS, THE NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES, PRIMARY AND ELECTION EXPENSES AND ELECTION CONTESTS; CREATING 31 AND DEFINING MEMBERSHIP OF COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS; 32 IMPOSING DUTIES UPON THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, 33

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COURTS, COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS;
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       IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE ACT, AND CODIFYING,
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       REVISING AND CONSOLIDATING THE LAWS RELATING THERETO; AND
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       REPEALING CERTAIN ACTS AND PARTS OF ACTS RELATING TO
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       ELECTIONS, " IN PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR
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       DEFINITIONS; IN SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, PROVIDING FOR
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       REPORTS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ELECTIONS; IN COUNTY BOARDS OF
       ELECTIONS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR POWERS AND DUTIES OF COUNTY
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       BOARDS, FOR RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS TO BE OPEN TO PUBLIC
       INSPECTION AND PROVISO, FOR PRESERVATION OF RECORDS AND FOR
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       WATCHERS OR ATTORNEYS AT SESSIONS OF COUNTY BOARD AND
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       CANDIDATES MAY BE PRESENT; IN DISTRICT ELECTION OFFICERS,
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       FURTHER PROVIDING FOR QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTION OFFICERS AND
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       FOR APPOINTMENT OF WATCHERS; IN VOTING BY QUALIFIED ABSENTEE
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       ELECTORS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL
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       ABSENTEE BALLOTS, FOR DATE OF APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE
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       BALLOT, FOR OFFICIAL ABSENTEE VOTERS BALLOTS, FOR DELIVERING
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       OR MAILING BALLOTS, FOR VOTING BY ABSENTEE ELECTORS AND FOR
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       CANVASSING OF OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS;
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       IN STATEWIDE UNIFORM REGISTRY OF ELECTORS ADVISORY BOARD,
       PROVIDING FOR SURE REQUIREMENTS; IN VOTING BY QUALIFIED MAIL-
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       IN ELECTORS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL
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       MAIL-IN BALLOTS, FOR DATE OF APPLICATION FOR MAIL-IN BALLOT,
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       FOR OFFICIAL MAIL-IN ELECTOR BALLOTS, FOR DELIVERING OR
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       MAILING BALLOTS AND FOR VOTING BY MAIL-IN ELECTORS; IN
       PENALTIES, PROVIDING FOR AN ENHANCEMENT OF PENALTIES FOR
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       CERTAIN VIOLATIONS; AND MAKING AN EDITORIAL CHANGE.
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       The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
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   hereby enacts as follows:
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       Section 1. Section 201 of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, <--
   No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is amended by
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   adding a subsection to read:
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       Section 201. Powers and Duties of the Secretary of the
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   Commonwealth. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall exercise
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   in the manner provided by this act all powers granted to him by
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   this act, and shall perform all the duties imposed upon him by
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   this act, which shall include the following:
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       (i) To develop a tracking system by which each ballot,
   absentee ballot and mail in ballot is assigned a unique
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   scannable identification number to ensure that multiple ballots
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   are not cast by a qualified elector.
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Section 2. Section 302(p) of the act, amended March 27, 2020

- 1 (P.L.41, No.12), is amended and the section is amended by adding-
- 2 a subsection to read:
- 3 Section 302. Powers and Duties of County Boards. The county-
- 4 boards of elections, within their respective counties, shall
- 5 exercise, in the manner provided by this act, all powers granted
- 6 to them by this act, and shall perform all the duties imposed
- 7 upon them by this act, which shall include the following:
- 8 * * *
- 9 (p) A county board of elections shall not pay compensation
- 10 to a judge of elections who wilfully fails to deliver by two-
- 11 o'clock A. M. on the day following the election envelopes;
- 12 supplies, including all uncast provisional ballots; and returns,
- 13 including all provisional ballots cast in the election district-
- 14 and [statements signed under sections 1306 and 1302 D.]
- 15 completed absentee ballot and envelopes containing the
- 16 declaration of the elector received by the judge of elections
- 17 under sections 1306(b)(3) and 1306-D(b)(3).
- 18 (g) To administer the ballot tracking system developed by
- 19 the Secretary of the Commonwealth under section 201(i) as
- 20 prescribed and directed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
- 21 Section 3. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
- 22 <u>Section 1231.1. Deadline for Change of Enrollment of</u>
- 23 Political Party. -- Not later than thirty days prior to an
- 24 election, a registered elector who desires to change the
- 25 enrollment of political designation or who, although registered,
- 26 has not previously enrolled as a member of a party may appear
- 27 <u>before a commissioner, registrar or clerk or may submit an</u>
- 28 application by mail under 25 Pa.C.S. § 1324 (relating to
- 29 application by mail) and state in a signed writing the political
- 30 party in which the registered elector desires to be enrolled. If

- 1 the signature of the elector is verified by comparison with the
- 2 <u>registered elector's signature as it appears on file with the</u>
- 3 commission, the commissioner, registrar or clerk shall make the
- 4 <u>change in its registration records. If supported by other</u>
- 5 evidence of identity, a mark may be made in lieu of a signature
- 6 by a registered elector who is unable to write. The mark must be
- 7 made in the presence of a witness who must sign the registration
- 8 application.
- 9 Section 4. Section 1302(i)(1) of the act, amended March 27,
- 10 2020 (P.L.41, No.12), is amended to read:
- 11 Section 1302. Applications for Official Absentee Ballots. --*
- 12 * *
- 13 (i) (1) Application for official absentee ballots shall be
- 14 on physical and electronic forms prescribed by the Secretary of
- 15 the Commonwealth.
- 16 (1.1) The application shall state that an elector who
- 17 applies for an absentee ballot pursuant to section 1301 shall
- 18 not be eligible to vote at a polling place on election day
- 19 [unless the elector brings the elector's absentee ballot to the
- 20 elector's polling place, remits the ballot and the envelope
- 21 containing the declaration of the elector to the judge of
- 22 elections to be spoiled and signs a statement subject to the
- 23 penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn
- 24 falsification to authorities) to the same effect.] except by
- 25 provisional ballot. The application shall also state that an
- 26 elector may deliver an absentee ballot and the envelope
- 27 <u>containing the declaration of the elector to the judge of</u>
- 28 elections of the elector's election district at the elector's
- 29 polling place during the hours that the polling place is open on
- 30 election day.

- 1 (1.2) [Such physical] Physical application forms shall be
- 2 made freely available to the public at county board of
- 3 elections, municipal buildings and at such other locations-
- 4 designated by the secretary.
- 5 (1.3) [Such electronic] <u>Electronic</u> application forms shall
- 6 be made freely available to the public through publicly
- 7 accessible means.
- 8 <u>(1.4)</u> No written application or personal request shall be
- 9 necessary to receive or access the application forms.
- 10 <u>(1.5)</u> Copies and records of all completed physical and
- 11 electronic applications for official absentee ballots shall be-
- 12 retained by the county board of elections.
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- 14 Section 5. Section 1302.1(a) and (a.3)(1) and (2) of the
- 15 act, amended October 31, 2019 (P.L.552, No.77), are amended to
- 16 read:
- 17 Section 1302.1. Date of Application for Absentee Ballot. --
- 18 (a) Except as provided in subsection (a.3), applications for
- 19 absentee ballots shall be received in the office of the county-
- 20 board of elections not earlier than fifty (50) days before the
- 21 primary or election, except that if a county board of elections-
- 22 determines that it would be appropriate to its operational
- 23 needs, any applications for absentee ballots received more than-
- 24 fifty (50) days before the primary or election may be processed
- 25 before that time. Applications for absentee ballots shall be-
- 26 processed if received not later than five o'clock P.M. of the
- 27 [first Tuesday] fifteenth day prior to the day of any primary or
- 28 election.
- 29 (a.3) (1) The following categories of electors may apply
- 30 for an absentee ballot under this subsection, if otherwise

- 1 qualified:
- 2 (i) An elector whose physical disability or illness
- 3 prevented the elector from applying for an absentee ballot-
- 4 before five o'clock P.M. on the [first Tuesday] <u>fifteenth day</u>
- 5 prior to the day of the primary or election.
- 6 (ii) An elector who, because of the elector's business,
- 7 duties or occupation, was unable to apply for an absentee ballot-
- 8 before five o'clock P.M. on the [first Tuesday] fifteenth day
- 9 prior to the day of the primary or election.
- 10 (iii) An elector who becomes so physically disabled or ill-
- 11 after five o'clock P.M. on the [first Tuesday] fifteenth day
- 12 prior to the day of the primary or election that the elector is-
- 13 unable to appear at the polling place on the day of the primary
- 14 or election.
- 15 (iv) An elector who, because of the conduct of the elector's
- 16 business, duties or occupation, will necessarily be absent from
- 17 the elector's municipality of residence on the day of the
- 18 primary or election, which fact was not and could not reasonably
- 19 be known to the elector on or before five o'clock P.M. on the
- 20 [first Tuesday] fifteenth day prior to the day of the primary or
- 21 election.
- 22 (2) An elector described in paragraph (1) may submit an
- 23 application for an absentee ballot at any time up until the time-
- 24 of the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or
- 25 election. The application shall include a declaration describing
- 26 the circumstances that prevented the elector from applying for-
- 27 an absentee ballot before five o'clock P.M. on the [first-
- 28 Tuesday] fifteenth day prior to the day of the primary or
- 29 election or that prevent the elector from appearing at the-
- 30 polling place on the day of the primary or election, and the

- 1 elector's qualifications under paragraph (1). The declaration
- 2 shall be made subject to the provisions of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904
- 3 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).
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- 5 Section 6. Sections 1302.2(c), 1303(e) and 1306(a)
- 6 introductory paragraph and (b) (3) of the act, amended March 27,-
- 7 2020 (P.L.41, No.12), are amended to read:
- 8 Section 1302.2. Approval of Application for Absentee
- 9 Ballot.--
- 10 * * *
- 11 (c) The county board of elections, upon receipt of any
- 12 application of a qualified elector required to be registered
- 13 under the provisions of preceding section 1301, shall determine
- 14 the qualifications of such applicant by verifying the proof of
- 15 identification and comparing the information set forth on such-
- 16 application with the information contained on the applicant's
- 17 permanent registration card. If the board is satisfied that the
- 18 applicant is qualified to receive an official absentee ballot,
- 19 the application shall be marked "approved." Such approval
- 20 decision shall be final and binding, except that challenges may
- 21 be made only on the ground that the applicant was not a
- 22 qualified elector. Such challenges must be made to the county
- 23 board of elections prior to five o'clock p.m. on the Friday
- 24 prior to the election, or during the pre canvassing of an
- 25 elector's absentee ballot, whichever is earlier: Provided,
- 26 however, That a challenge to an application for an absentee-
- 27 ballot shall not be permitted on the grounds that the elector
- 28 used an application for an absentee ballot instead of an
- 29 application for a mail in ballot or on the grounds that the
- 30 elector used an application for a mail in ballot instead of an-

- 1 application for an absentee ballot.
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- 3 Section 1303. Official Absentee Voters Ballots. -* * *
- 4 (e) The official absentee voter ballot shall state that an
- 5 elector who receives an absentee ballot pursuant to section 1301-
- 6 and whose voted ballot is not timely received by the commission
- 7 or voted ballot and the envelope containing the declaration of
- 8 the elector is timely received by the judge of elections of the
- 9 elector's election district at the elector's polling place on
- 10 <u>election day</u> and who, on election day, is capable of voting at-
- 11 the appropriate polling place may only vote on election day by
- 12 provisional ballot [unless the elector brings the elector's
- 13 absentee ballot to the elector's polling place, remits the
- 14 ballot and the envelope containing the declaration of the
- 15 elector to the judge of elections to be spoiled and signs a
- 16 statement subject to the penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904
- 17 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities) to the same
- 18 effect].
- 19 Section 1306. Voting by Absentee Electors. -- (a) Except as
- 20 provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), at any time after receiving
- 21 an official absentee ballot, but on or before eight o'clock P.M.
- 22 the day of the primary or election, the elector shall, in-
- 23 secret, proceed to mark the ballot only in black lead pencil,
- 24 indelible pencil or blue, black or blue black ink, in fountain-
- 25 pen or ball point pen, and then fold the ballot, enclose and
- 26 securely seal the same in the envelope on which is printed,
- 27 stamped or endorsed "Official Election Ballot." This envelope
- 28 shall then be placed in the second one, on which is printed the
- 29 form of declaration of the elector, and the address of the
- 30 elector's county board of election and the local election-

- 1 district of the elector. The elector shall then fill out, date
- 2 and sign the declaration printed on such envelope. Such envelope-
- 3 shall then be securely sealed and the elector shall send same by
- 4 mail, postage prepaid, except where franked, or deliver it in
- 5 person to said county board of election or to the judge of
- 6 elections of the elector's election district at the elector's
- 7 polling place.
- 8 * * *
- 9 (b) * * *
- 10 (3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2), an elector who requests
- 11 an absentee ballot and who is not shown on the district register-
- 12 as having voted the ballot may [vote at the polling place if the
- 13 elector remits the ballot and the envelope containing the
- 14 declaration of the elector to the judge of elections to be-
- 15 spoiled and the elector signs a statement subject to the
- 16 penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn-
- 17 falsification to authorities) in substantially the following
- 18 form:
- I hereby declare that I am a qualified registered elector who
- 20 has obtained an absentee ballot or mail-in ballot. I further
- 21 declare that I have not cast my absentee ballot or mail-in-
- 22 ballot, and that instead I remitted my absentee ballot or
- 23 mail-in ballot and the envelope containing the declaration of
- the elector to the judge of elections at my polling place to
- 25 be spoiled and therefore request that my absentee ballot or
- 26 mail-in ballot be voided.
- 27 (Date)
- (Signature of Elector).....(Address of Elector)
- (Local Judge of Elections) | deliver the completed absentee
- 30 ballot to the judge of elections of the elector's election

- 1 district at the elector's polling place.
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- 3 Section 7. Section 1308(q)(1.1) and (2) of the act, amended
- 4 March 27, 2020 (P.L.41, No.12), is amended, subsection (g) is
- 5 amended by adding a paragraph and the section is amended by
- 6 adding a subsection to read:
- 7 Section 1308. Canvassing of Official Absentee Ballots and
- 8 Mail in Ballots. * * *
- 9 (a.1) A judge of elections shall deliver all completed
- 10 absentee ballots, mail-in ballots and envelopes containing the
- 11 declaration of the elector received under sections 1306(b)(3)
- 12 and 1306 D(b)(3) to the county board of elections by two o'clock
- 13 A.M. on the day following the election.
- 14 * * *
- 15 (q) * * *
- 16 (1.1) The county board of elections shall meet [no earlier
- 17 than seven o'clock A.M. on election day] at leasT once before
- 18 election day at the county courthouse or the offices of the
- 19 <u>county board of election</u> to pre-canvass all ballots received-
- 20 prior to the meeting.
- 21 (1.2) A county board of elections that meets to pre-canvass
- 22 absentee ballots and mail in ballots may complete the tasks
- 23 <u>described in paragraph (4)(i), (ii) and (iii) at any point</u>
- 24 during the period beginning twenty one days prior to the
- 25 election and up to and including the day before the election,
- 26 provided that the board completes a pre-canvass of all absentee
- 27 <u>ballots or mail in ballots received prior to the Friday before</u>
- 28 the election. A county board of elections shall provide at least-
- 29 forty-eight hours' notice of a pre-canvass meeting by publicly-
- 30 posting a notice of a pre canvass meeting on its publicly

- 1 accessible Internet website. [One] The authorized representative
- 2 of each candidate in an election, the county chairperson of each
- 3 political party and one representative from each political party
- 4 shall be permitted to remain in the room in which the absentee
- 5 ballots and mail in ballots are pre canvassed. The proceedings
- 6 of the pre-canvassing shall be recorded and made available upon
- 7 <u>request.</u> No person observing, attending or participating in a
- 8 pre-canvass meeting may disclose the results of any portion of
- 9 any pre-canvass meeting prior to the close of the polls.
- 10 (2) The county board of elections shall meet no earlier than
- 11 the close of polls on the day of the election at the county
- 12 courthouse or the offices of the county board of election and no
- 13 later than the third day following the election to begin
- 14 canvassing absentee ballots and mail-in ballots not included in-
- 15 the pre-canvass meeting. The meeting under this paragraph shall
- 16 continue until all absentee ballots and mail in ballots received
- 17 prior to the close of the polls have been canvassed. The county-
- 18 board of elections shall not record or publish any votes
- 19 reflected on the ballots prior to the close of the polls. The
- 20 canvass process shall continue through the eighth day following
- 21 the election for valid military-overseas ballots timely received-
- 22 under 25 Pa.C.S. § 3511 (relating to receipt of voted ballot). A
- 23 county board of elections shall provide at least forty-eight-
- 24 hours' notice of a canvass meeting by publicly posting a notice-
- 25 on its publicly accessible Internet website. One authorized
- 26 representative of each candidate in an election, the county
- 27 <u>chairperson of each political party</u> and one representative from
- 28 each political party shall be permitted to remain in the room in-
- 29 which the absentee ballots and mail in ballots are canvassed.
- 30 The proceedings of the canvassing shall be recorded and made

available upon request. 1 * * * 2 3 Section 8. Section 1302 D(f) of the act, amended March 27, 2020 (P.L.41, No.12), is amended and subsection (q) is amended 4 by adding a paragraph to read: 5 Section 1302 D. Applications for official mail-in ballots. 6 * * * 7 8 (f) Form.—The following shall apply: 9 (1) Application for an official mail in ballot shall be 10 on physical and electronic forms prescribed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth. 11 12 (2) The application shall state that a voter who applies 13 for a mail in ballot under section 1301 D shall not be eligible to vote at a polling place on election day [unless 14 15 the elector brings the elector's mail-in ballot to the elector's polling place, remits the ballot and the envelope-16 containing the declaration of the elector to the judge of 17 18 elections to be spoiled and signs a statement subject to the 19 penalties under 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn 20 falsification to authorities) to the same effect. | except by provisional ballot. The application shall also state that an 21 22 elector may deliver a mail in ballot and the envelope 23 containing the declaration of the elector to the judge of 24 elections of the elector's election district at the elector's 25 polling place during the hours that the polling place is open 26 on election day. 27 (3) The physical application forms shall be made freely 28 available to the public at county board of elections, 29 municipal buildings and at other locations designated by the

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Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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2	freely available to the public through publicly accessible
3	means.
4	(5) No written application or personal request shall be
5	necessary to receive or access the application forms.
6	(6) Copies and records of all completed physical and
7	electronic applications for official mail-in ballots shall be
8	retained by the county board of elections.
9	(g) Permanent mail-in voting list
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1	(1.1) A county board of elections shall remove a person
_2	from the permanent mail in ballot list if the elector does
13	any of the following:
4	(i) The person loses eligibility to vote.
5	(ii) The elector votes in person at the elector's
- 6	polling place.
_7	(iii) The elector requests removal from the
8 .	permanent mail in ballot list.
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20	Section 9. Section 1302.1 D(a) of the act, added October 31,
21	2019 (P.L.552, No.77), is amended to read:
22	Section 1302.1 D. Date of application for mail-in ballot.
23	(a) General ruleApplications for mail-in ballots shall be
24	received in the office of the county board of elections not-
25	earlier than 50 days before the primary or election, except that
26	if a county board of elections determines that it would be
27	appropriate to the county board of elections' operational needs,
28	any applications for mail-in ballots received more than 50 days-
29	before the primary or election may be processed before that
30	time. Applications for mail in ballots shall be processed if

- 1 received not later than five o'clock P.M. of the [first Tuesday]
- 2 fifteenth day prior to the day of any primary or election.
- 3 * * *
- 4 Section 10. Sections 1302.2-D(a)(3), 1303-D(e) and 1306-D(a)-
- 5 and (b) (3) of the act, amended March 27, 2020 (P.L.41, No.12),
- 6 are amended to read:
- 7 Section 1302.2-D. Approval of application for mail in ballot.
- 8 (a) Approval process. The county board of elections, upon
- 9 receipt of any application of a qualified elector under section-
- 10 1301-D, shall determine the qualifications of the applicant by
- 11 verifying the proof of identification and comparing the
- 12 information provided on the application with the information-
- 13 contained on the applicant's permanent registration card. The
- 14 following shall apply:
- 15 * * *
- 16 (3) Challenges must be made to the county board of
- 17 elections prior to five o'clock p.m. on the Friday prior to
- 18 the election or during the precanvassing of an elector's
- 19 <u>mail-in ballot, whichever is earlier</u>: Provided, however, That-
- 20 a challenge to an application for a mail in ballot shall not
- 21 be permitted on the grounds that the elector used an-
- 22 application for a mail-in ballot instead of an application-
- 23 for an absentee ballot or on the grounds that the elector-
- 24 used an application for an absentee ballot instead of an
- 25 application for a mail-in ballot.
- 26 * * *
- 27 Section 1303 D. Official mail in elector ballots.
- 28 * * *
- 29 (e) Notice. The official mail in voter ballot shall state
- 30 that a voter who receives a mail in ballot under section 1301-D-

- 1 and whose voted mail-in ballot is not timely received by the-
- 2 commission or voted ballot and the envelope containing the
- 3 declaration of the elector is timely received by the judge of
- 4 <u>elections of the elector's election district at the elector's</u>
- 5 polling place on election day may only vote on election day by
- 6 provisional ballot [unless the elector brings the elector's
- 7 mail-in ballot to the elector's polling place, remits the ballot-
- 8 and the envelope containing the declaration of the elector to
- 9 the judge of elections to be spoiled and signs a statement-
- 10 subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to
- 11 unsworn falsification to authorities) to the same effect].
- 12 Section 1306-D. Voting by mail-in electors.
- 13 (a) General rule.—At any time after receiving an official—
- 14 mail in ballot, but on or before eight o'clock P.M. the day of
- 15 the primary or election, the mail in elector shall, in secret,
- 16 proceed to mark the ballot only in black lead pencil, indelible
- 17 pencil or blue, black or blue-black ink, in fountain pen or ball-
- 18 point pen, and then fold the ballot, enclose and securely seal
- 19 the same in the envelope on which is printed, stamped or
- 20 endorsed "Official Election Ballot." This envelope shall then be
- 21 placed in the second one, on which is printed the form of
- 22 declaration of the elector, and the address of the elector's
- 23 county board of election and the local election district of the-
- 24 elector. The elector shall then fill out, date and sign the
- 25 declaration printed on such envelope. Such envelope shall then
- 26 be securely sealed and the elector shall send same by mail,
- 27 postage prepaid, except where franked, or deliver it in person-
- 28 to said county board of election or to the judge of elections of
- 29 the elector's election district at the elector's polling place.
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Τ	(D) Eligibility
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3	(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2), an elector who
4	requests a mail in ballot and who is not shown on the
5	district register as having voted the ballot may [vote at the
6	polling place if the elector remits the ballot and the
7	envelope containing the declaration of the elector to the
8	judge of elections to be spoiled and the elector signs a
9	statement subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904
10	(relating to unsworn falsification to authorities) which
11	shall be in substantially the following form:
12	I hereby declare that I am a qualified registered elector
13	who has obtained an absentee ballot or mail-in ballot. I-
14	further declare that I have not cast my absentee ballot or
15	mail-in ballot, and that instead I remitted my absentee
16	ballot or mail in ballot to the judge of elections at my
17	polling place to be spoiled and therefore request that my-
18	absentee ballot or mail in ballot be voided.
19	(Date)
20	(Signature of Elector)(Address of Elector)
21	(Local Judge of Elections) deliver the completed mail-in
22	ballot and the envelope containing the declaration of the
23	elector to the judge of elections of the elector's election
24	district at the elector's polling place.
25	* * *
26	Section 11. Repeals are as follows:
27	(1) The General Assembly declares that the repeal under-
28	paragraph (2) is necessary for the addition of section
29	1231.1.
3.0	12) 25 Pa C S & 1503 is repealed

- 1 Section 12. This act shall take effect in 30 days.
- 2 SECTION 1. SECTION 102(A.1) AND (Q.1) OF THE ACT OF JUNE 3, <--
- 3 1937 (P.L.1333, NO.320), KNOWN AS THE PENNSYLVANIA ELECTION
- 4 CODE, AMENDED OR ADDED MARCH 27, 2020 (P.L.41, NO.12), ARE
- 5 AMENDED TO READ:
- 6 SECTION 102. DEFINITIONS.--THE FOLLOWING WORDS, WHEN USED IN
- 7 THIS ACT, SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS, UNLESS OTHERWISE
- 8 CLEARLY APPARENT FROM THE CONTEXT:
- 9 * * *
- 10 (A.1) THE WORD "CANVASS" SHALL MEAN THE [GATHERING OF
- 11 BALLOTS AFTER THE FINAL PRE-CANVASS MEETING AND THE COUNTING,
- 12 COMPUTING AND TALLYING OF THE VOTES REFLECTED ON THE BALLOTS.]
- 13 ACTIVITIES PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(3) AND (4).
- 14 * * *
- 15 (Q.1) THE WORD "PRE-CANVASS" SHALL MEAN [THE INSPECTION AND
- 16 OPENING OF ALL ENVELOPES CONTAINING OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS OR
- 17 MAIL-IN BALLOTS, THE REMOVAL OF SUCH BALLOTS FROM THE ENVELOPES
- 18 AND THE COUNTING, COMPUTING AND TALLYING OF THE VOTES REFLECTED
- 19 ON THE BALLOTS. THE TERM DOES NOT INCLUDE THE RECORDING OR
- 20 PUBLISHING OF THE VOTES REFLECTED ON THE BALLOTS.] THE
- 21 ACTIVITIES PERMITTED UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(3) AND (4)(I), (II)
- 22 AND (III).
- 23 * * *
- 24 SECTION 2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
- 25 SECTION 209. REPORTS ON IMPLEMENTATION OF ELECTIONS.--(A)
- 26 NO LATER THAN SIXTY DAYS AFTER AN ELECTION, THE BUREAU OF
- 27 COMMISSIONS, ELECTIONS AND LEGISLATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 28 STATE SHALL ISSUE A REPORT TO THE CHAIR AND MINORITY CHAIR OF
- 29 THE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE AND THE CHAIR AND
- 30 MINORITY CHAIR OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF

- 1 REPRESENTATIVES. A COPY OF THE REPORT SHALL ALSO BE MADE
- 2 AVAILABLE ON THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE
- 3 INTERNET WEBSITE.
- 4 (B) THE REPORT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) SHALL INCLUDE ONLY THE
- 5 FOLLOWING INFORMATION RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE
- 6 ELECTION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
- 7 OR A REGISTRATION COMMISSION ESTABLISHED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 1203
- 8 (RELATING TO COMMISSIONS):
- 9 (1) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 10 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT WHICH WERE
- 11 RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.
- 12 (2) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 13 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT WHICH WERE RECEIVED
- 14 BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.
- 15 (3) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 16 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT WHICH WERE
- 17 APPROVED BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.
- 18 (4) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 19 NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT WHICH WERE APPROVED
- 20 BY THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS.
- 21 (5) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 22 NUMBER OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS WHICH WERE VOTED BY QUALIFIED
- 23 <u>ELECTORS.</u>
- 24 (6) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 25 NUMBER OF MAIL-IN BALLOTS WHICH WERE VOTED BY OUALIFIED
- 26 ELECTORS.
- 27 <u>(7) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE</u>
- 28 NUMBER OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS CAST UNDER SECTION 1210(A.4).
- 29 (8) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 30 NUMBER OF QUALIFIED ELECTORS VOTING BY A PROVISIONAL BALLOT

- 1 UNDER SECTION 1306(B)(2).
- 2 (9) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 3 NUMBER OF OUALIFIED ELECTORS VOTING BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT UNDER
- 4 SECTION 1306-D(B)(2).
- 5 (10) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 6 NUMBER OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS UNDER PARAGRAPH (7) WHICH WERE
- 7 CANVASSED.
- 8 (11) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 9 NUMBER OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS UNDER PARAGRAPH (8) WHICH WERE
- 10 CANVASSED.
- 11 (12) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 12 NUMBER OF PROVISIONAL BALLOTS UNDER PARAGRAPH (9) WHICH WERE
- 13 CANVASSED.
- 14 (13) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 15 NUMBER OF VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 1231 AND
- 16 25 PA.C.S. PT. IV (RELATING TO VOTER REGISTRATION) WHICH WERE
- 17 RECEIVED:
- 18 (I) FEWER THAN THIRTY DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION.
- 19 (II) FEWER THAN FIFTEEN DAYS BEFORE THE ELECTION.
- 20 (14) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 21 NUMBER OF POLLING PLACES IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.
- 22 (15) FOR EACH COUNTY, THE DATE, STARTING TIME AND ENDING
- 23 TIME THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MET TO PRE-CANVASS
- 24 ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(1.1).
- 25 (16) FOR EACH COUNTY, THE DATE, STARTING TIME AND ENDING
- 26 TIME THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MET TO CANVASS ABSENTEE
- 27 BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(2).
- 28 (17) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 29 NUMBER OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS WHICH WERE CHALLENGED UNDER SECTION
- 30 1302.2(C).

- 1 (18) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 2 NUMBER OF MAIL-IN BALLOTS WHICH WERE CHALLENGED UNDER SECTION
- $3 \quad 1302.2-D(A)(2).$
- 4 (19) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 5 NUMBER OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS SUBJECT TO CHALLENGES UNDER PARAGRAPH
- 6 (17) WHICH WERE NOT CANVASSED.
- 7 (20) FOR EACH COUNTY AND THE SUM FOR THIS COMMONWEALTH, THE
- 8 NUMBER OF MAIL-IN BALLOTS SUBJECT TO CHALLENGES UNDER PARAGRAPH
- 9 (18) WHICH WERE NOT CANVASSED.
- 10 (21) THE NUMBER OF INCIDENTS KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 11 STATE, COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS OR REGISTRATION COMMISSIONS
- 12 RELATING TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:
- 13 <u>(I) AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT WHICH WAS SENT TO</u>
- 14 THE WRONG INDIVIDUAL OR WRONG ADDRESS.
- 15 (II) AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT WHICH WAS VOTED BY
- 16 AN INDIVIDUAL OTHER THAN THE INDIVIDUAL WHO APPLIED FOR THE
- 17 ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT.
- 18 (III) AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT WHICH WAS
- 19 RETURNED TO THE COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS BY A MEANS OTHER THAN
- 20 PERMITTED BY LAW.
- 21 (22) TO THE EXTENT CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAW, A
- 22 REVIEW OF ANY ACTION TAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, COUNTY
- 23 BOARDS OF ELECTIONS OR REGISTRATION COMMISSIONS IN RESPONSE TO
- 24 AN INCIDENT UNDER PARAGRAPH (21), INCLUDING DETERMINATIONS MADE
- 25 ON THE INCIDENT, LEGAL ACTIONS FILED AND REFERRALS TO LAW
- 26 ENFORCEMENT.
- 27 (23) A REVIEW OF ISSUES OR INCIDENTS ENCOUNTERED WITH AN
- 28 ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM THAT RECEIVED THE APPROVAL OF THE
- 29 SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH UNDER SECTION 1105-A, INCLUDING
- 30 ANY TECHNICAL ISSUES ENCOUNTERED AT POLLING PLACES.

- 1 (C) THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE SHALL DEVELOP A PROCESS TO
- 2 COLLECT DATA REQUIRED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT UNDER
- 3 SUBSECTION (B) FROM EACH COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS WHICH
- 4 CONDUCTS AN ELECTION AND EACH REGISTRATION COMMISSION UNDER 25
- 5 PA.C.S. PT. IV IN A COUNTY WHICH CONDUCTS AN ELECTION, AS
- 6 APPLICABLE. A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR REGISTRATION
- 7 COMMISSION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL COMPLY WITH THE PROCESS
- 8 FOR SUBMISSION OF DATA UNDER THIS SUBSECTION NO LATER THAN
- 9 FORTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER AN ELECTION.
- 10 SECTION 3. SECTION 302(P) OF THE ACT, AMENDED MARCH 27, 2020
- 11 (P.L.41, NO.12), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 12 SECTION 302. POWERS AND DUTIES OF COUNTY BOARDS.--THE COUNTY
- 13 BOARDS OF ELECTIONS, WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTIES, SHALL
- 14 EXERCISE, IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY THIS ACT, ALL POWERS GRANTED
- 15 TO THEM BY THIS ACT, AND SHALL PERFORM ALL THE DUTIES IMPOSED
- 16 UPON THEM BY THIS ACT, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
- 17 * * *
- 18 (P) A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL NOT PAY COMPENSATION
- 19 TO A JUDGE OF ELECTIONS WHO WILFULLY FAILS TO DELIVER BY TWO
- 20 O'CLOCK A. M. ON THE DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION ENVELOPES;
- 21 SUPPLIES, INCLUDING ALL UNCAST PROVISIONAL BALLOTS; AND RETURNS,
- 22 INCLUDING ALL PROVISIONAL BALLOTS CAST IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT
- 23 AND [STATEMENTS SIGNED UNDER SECTIONS 1306 AND 1302-D.] ALL_
- 24 MATERIAL DELIVERED UNDER SECTIONS 1306(B)(3)(I) AND 1306-D(B)(3)
- 25 (I).
- 26 SECTION 4. SECTIONS 308, 309, 310(A), 402(A) AND 417(B) OF
- 27 THE ACT ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 28 SECTION 308. RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS TO BE OPEN TO PUBLIC
- 29 INSPECTION; PROVISO. -- THE RECORDS OF EACH COUNTY BOARD OF
- 30 ELECTIONS, GENERAL AND DUPLICATE RETURNS, TALLY PAPERS,

- 1 AFFIDAVITS OF VOTERS AND OTHERS, NOMINATION PETITIONS,
- 2 RECORDINGS OF PRE-CANVASSING MEETINGS, RECORDINGS OF CANVASSING
- 3 MEETINGS, CERTIFICATES AND PAPERS, OTHER PETITIONS, APPEALS,
- 4 WITNESS LISTS, ACCOUNTS, CONTRACTS, REPORTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS
- 5 AND RECORDS IN ITS CUSTODY, EXCEPT THE CONTENTS OF BALLOT BOXES
- 6 AND VOTING MACHINES AND RECORDS OF ASSISTED VOTERS, SHALL BE
- 7 OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION, EXCEPT AS HEREIN PROVIDED, AND MAY BE
- 8 INSPECTED AND COPIED BY ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR OF THE COUNTY
- 9 DURING ORDINARY BUSINESS HOURS, AT ANY TIME WHEN THEY ARE NOT
- 10 NECESSARILY BEING USED BY THE BOARD, OR ITS EMPLOYES HAVING
- 11 DUTIES TO PERFORM THERETO: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT SUCH PUBLIC
- 12 INSPECTION THEREOF SHALL ONLY BE IN THE PRESENCE OF A MEMBER OR
- 13 AUTHORIZED EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD, AND SHALL BE SUBJECT TO
- 14 PROPER REGULATION FOR SAFEKEEPING OF THE RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS,
- 15 AND SUBJECT TO THE FURTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT: AND PROVIDED
- 16 FURTHER, THAT GENERAL AND DUPLICATE RETURNS, TALLY PAPERS,
- 17 AFFIDAVITS OF VOTERS AND OTHERS, AND ALL OTHER PAPERS REQUIRED
- 18 TO BE RETURNED BY THE ELECTION OFFICERS TO THE COUNTY BOARD
- 19 SEALED, SHALL BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION ONLY AFTER THE COUNTY
- 20 BOARD SHALL, IN THE COURSE OF THE COMPUTATION AND CANVASSING OF
- 21 THE RETURNS, HAVE BROKEN SUCH SEALS AND FINISHED, FOR THE TIME,
- 22 THEIR USE OF SAID PAPERS IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH COMPUTATION AND
- 23 CANVASSING[.]: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT RECORDINGS OF PRE-
- 24 CANVASSING MEETINGS SHALL BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION UNDER
- 25 THIS SECTION ONLY AFTER THE CLOSE OF POLLS ON ELECTION DAY; AND
- 26 PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT RECORDINGS OF PRE-CANVASSING MEETINGS
- 27 SHALL ALSO BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION UNDER THIS SECTION BY AN
- 28 <u>AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(1.1)(VI): AND</u>
- 29 PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT RECORDINGS OF CANVASSING MEETINGS SHALL
- 30 <u>BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION UNDER THIS SECTION BY AN AUTHORIZED</u>

- 1 REPRESENTATIVE UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(2)(VI).
- 2 SECTION 309. PRESERVATION OF RECORDS.--ALL DOCUMENTS, PAPERS
- 3 AND RECORDS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OF
- 4 EACH COUNTY SHALL BE PRESERVED THEREIN FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST
- 5 ELEVEN (11) MONTHS, AND ALL OFFICIAL BALLOTS [AND], THE CONTENTS
- 6 OF BALLOT BOXES <u>AND RECORDINGS OF PRE-CANVASSING MEETINGS AND</u>
- 7 CANVASSING MEETINGS SHALL BE PRESERVED THEREIN FOR A PERIOD OF
- 8 AT LEAST FOUR (4) MONTHS; IN THE EVENT THE COUNTY BOARD HAS BEEN
- 9 NOTIFIED IN WRITING BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY, OR
- 10 BY A JUDGE OF A COURT OF RECORD, TO PRESERVE SAID [PAPERS OR
- 11 CONTENTS OF BALLOT BOXES] RECORDS FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME,
- 12 FOR THE PURPOSES OF PENDING PROSECUTION OR LITIGATION, SAID
- 13 RECORDS SHALL BE PRESERVED ACCORDINGLY.
- 14 SECTION 310. WATCHERS OR ATTORNEYS AT SESSIONS OF COUNTY
- 15 BOARD; CANDIDATES MAY BE PRESENT. --
- 16 (A) ANY PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY OR BODY OF CITIZENS WHICH
- 17 NOW IS, OR HEREAFTER MAY BE, ENTITLED TO HAVE WATCHERS AT ANY
- 18 REGISTRATION, PRIMARY OR ELECTION, SHALL ALSO BE ENTITLED TO
- 19 APPOINT WATCHERS WHO ARE QUALIFIED ELECTORS [OF THE COUNTY], OR
- 20 ATTORNEYS, TO REPRESENT SUCH PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY OR BODY OF
- 21 CITIZENS AT ANY PUBLIC SESSION OR SESSIONS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
- 22 OF ELECTIONS, AND AT ANY COMPUTATION AND CANVASSING OF RETURNS
- 23 OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION AND RECOUNT OF BALLOTS OR RECANVASS
- 24 OF VOTING MACHINES UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT. SUCH
- 25 WATCHERS OR ATTORNEYS MAY EXERCISE THE SAME RIGHTS AS WATCHERS
- 26 AT REGISTRATION AND POLLING PLACES, BUT THE NUMBER WHO MAY BE
- 27 PRESENT AT ANY ONE TIME MAY BE LIMITED BY THE COUNTY BOARD TO
- 28 NOT MORE THAN THREE FOR EACH PARTY, POLITICAL BODY OR BODY OF
- 29 CITIZENS.
- 30 * * *

- 1 SECTION 402. QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTION OFFICERS.--(A)
- 2 EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B), ELECTION OFFICERS SHALL BE
- 3 QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTORS OF THE [DISTRICT IN WHICH THEY ARE
- 4 ELECTED OR APPOINTED.] COUNTY IN WHICH THE POLLING PLACE IS
- 5 LOCATED. AN ELECTION OFFICER SHALL NOT BE REQUIRED TO BE A
- 6 QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTOR IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT IN WHICH
- 7 THE ELECTION OFFICER IS APPOINTED. NO PERSON SHALL BE QUALIFIED
- 8 TO SERVE AS AN ELECTION OFFICER WHO SHALL HOLD, OR SHALL WITHIN
- 9 TWO MONTHS HAVE HELD, ANY OFFICE, APPOINTMENT OR EMPLOYMENT IN
- 10 OR UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OR OF THIS STATE OR
- 11 OF ANY CITY OR COUNTY OR POOR DISTRICT, OF ANY MUNICIPAL BOARD,
- 12 COMMISSION OR TRUST IN ANY CITY, SAVE ONLY DISTRICT JUSTICES,
- 13 NOTARIES PUBLIC AND PERSONS IN THE MILITIA SERVICE OF THE STATE;
- 14 NOR SHALL ANY ELECTION OFFICER BE ELIGIBLE TO ANY CIVIL OFFICE
- 15 TO BE VOTED FOR AT A PRIMARY OR ELECTION AT WHICH HE SHALL
- 16 SERVE, EXCEPT THAT OF AN ELECTION OFFICER.
- 17 * * *
- 18 SECTION 417. APPOINTMENT OF WATCHERS.--
- 19 * * *
- 20 (B) EACH WATCHER SO APPOINTED MUST BE A QUALIFIED REGISTERED
- 21 ELECTOR [OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE ELECTION DISTRICT FOR WHICH
- 22 THE WATCHER WAS APPOINTED IS LOCATED]. EACH WATCHER SO APPOINTED
- 23 SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO SERVE IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT FOR WHICH
- 24 THE WATCHER WAS APPOINTED AND, WHEN THE WATCHER IS NOT SERVING
- 25 IN THE ELECTION DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE WATCHER WAS APPOINTED, IN
- 26 ANY OTHER ELECTION DISTRICT [IN THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE WATCHER
- 27 IS A QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTOR]: PROVIDED, THAT ONLY ONE
- 28 WATCHER FOR EACH CANDIDATE AT PRIMARIES, OR FOR EACH PARTY OR
- 29 POLITICAL BODY AT GENERAL, MUNICIPAL OR SPECIAL ELECTIONS, SHALL
- 30 BE PRESENT IN THE POLLING PLACE AT ANY ONE TIME FROM THE TIME

- 1 THAT THE ELECTION OFFICERS MEET PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE
- 2 POLLS UNDER SECTION 1208 UNTIL THE TIME THAT THE COUNTING OF
- 3 VOTES IS COMPLETE AND THE DISTRICT REGISTER AND VOTING CHECK
- 4 LIST IS LOCKED AND SEALED, AND ALL WATCHERS IN THE ROOM SHALL
- 5 REMAIN OUTSIDE THE ENCLOSED SPACE. IT SHALL NOT BE A REQUIREMENT
- 6 THAT A WATCHER BE A RESIDENT OF THE ELECTION DISTRICT FOR WHICH
- 7 THE WATCHER IS APPOINTED. AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS AND WHILE
- 8 THE BALLOTS ARE BEING COUNTED OR VOTING MACHINE CANVASSED, ALL
- 9 THE WATCHERS SHALL BE PERMITTED TO BE IN THE POLLING PLACE
- 10 OUTSIDE THE ENCLOSED SPACE. EACH WATCHER SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH
- 11 A CERTIFICATE FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, STATING HIS
- 12 NAME AND THE NAME OF THE CANDIDATE, PARTY OR POLITICAL BODY HE
- 13 REPRESENTS. WATCHERS SHALL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW THEIR
- 14 CERTIFICATES WHEN REQUESTED TO DO SO. WATCHERS ALLOWED IN THE
- 15 POLLING PLACE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, SHALL BE
- 16 PERMITTED TO KEEP A LIST OF VOTERS AND SHALL BE ENTITLED TO
- 17 CHALLENGE ANY PERSON MAKING APPLICATION TO VOTE AND TO REQUIRE
- 18 PROOF OF HIS QUALIFICATIONS, AS PROVIDED BY THIS ACT. DURING
- 19 THOSE INTERVALS WHEN VOTERS ARE NOT PRESENT IN THE POLLING PLACE
- 20 EITHER VOTING OR WAITING TO VOTE, THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS SHALL
- 21 PERMIT WATCHERS, UPON REQUEST, TO INSPECT THE VOTING CHECK LIST
- 22 AND EITHER OF THE TWO NUMBERED LISTS OF VOTERS MAINTAINED BY THE
- 23 COUNTY BOARD: PROVIDED, THAT THE WATCHER SHALL NOT MARK UPON OR
- 24 ALTER THESE OFFICIAL ELECTION RECORDS. THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS
- 25 SHALL SUPERVISE OR DELEGATE THE INSPECTION OF ANY REQUESTED
- 26 DOCUMENTS.
- 27 * * *
- SECTION 5. SECTION 1302(I)(1) OF THE ACT, AMENDED MARCH 27,
- 29 2020 (P.L.41, NO.12), IS AMENDED AND THE SUBSECTION IS AMENDED
- 30 BY ADDING PARAGRAPHS TO READ:

- 1 SECTION 1302. APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS.--*
- 2 * *
- 3 (I) (1) APPLICATION FOR OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE
- 4 ON PHYSICAL AND ELECTRONIC FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY OF
- 5 THE COMMONWEALTH.
- 6 (1.1) THE APPLICATION SHALL STATE [THAT] THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (I) THAT AN ELECTOR WHO APPLIES FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT
- 8 PURSUANT TO SECTION 1301 SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT A
- 9 POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY [UNLESS THE ELECTOR BRINGS THE
- 10 ELECTOR'S ABSENTEE BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE, REMITS
- 11 THE BALLOT AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE DECLARATION OF THE
- 12 ELECTOR TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS TO BE SPOILED AND SIGNS A
- 13 STATEMENT SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES OF 18 PA.C.S. § 4904
- 14 (RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES) TO THE SAME
- 15 EFFECT. SUCH PHYSICAL] EXCEPT BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT.
- 16 (II) THAT AN ELECTOR WHO DOES NOT RETURN THE ABSENTEE BALLOT
- 17 BY MAIL MAY PERSONALLY DELIVER THE ABSENTEE BALLOT TO ONLY THE
- 18 FOLLOWING:
- 19 (A) A MEMBER OR EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT
- 20 THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- 21 (B) A MEMBER OR EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT
- 22 A LOCATION AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY
- 23 BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- 24 (C) A JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE ON
- 25 ELECTION DAY.
- 26 (1.2) PHYSICAL APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE FREELY
- 27 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, MUNICIPAL
- 28 BUILDINGS AND AT SUCH OTHER LOCATIONS DESIGNATED BY THE
- 29 SECRETARY. [SUCH ELECTRONIC]
- 30 (1.3) ELECTRONIC APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE FREELY

- 1 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE MEANS.
- 2 (1.4) NO WRITTEN APPLICATION OR PERSONAL REQUEST SHALL BE
- 3 NECESSARY TO RECEIVE OR ACCESS THE APPLICATION FORMS.
- 4 (1.5) COPIES AND RECORDS OF ALL COMPLETED PHYSICAL AND
- 5 ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE
- 6 RETAINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- 7 * * *
- 8 SECTION 6. SECTION 1302.1(A) AND (A.3)(1) AND (2) OF THE
- 9 ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER 31, 2019 (P.L.552, NO.77), ARE AMENDED TO
- 10 READ:
- 11 SECTION 1302.1. DATE OF APPLICATION FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT.--
- 12 (A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (A.3), APPLICATIONS FOR
- 13 ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
- 14 BOARD OF ELECTIONS NOT EARLIER THAN FIFTY (50) DAYS BEFORE THE
- 15 PRIMARY OR ELECTION, EXCEPT THAT IF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
- 16 DETERMINES THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO ITS OPERATIONAL
- 17 NEEDS, ANY APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS RECEIVED MORE THAN
- 18 FIFTY (50) DAYS BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION MAY BE PROCESSED
- 19 BEFORE THAT TIME. APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS SHALL BE
- 20 PROCESSED IF RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. OF THE
- 21 [FIRST TUESDAY] FIFTEENTH DAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF ANY PRIMARY OR
- 22 ELECTION.
- 23 (A.3) (1) THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES OF ELECTORS MAY APPLY
- 24 FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, IF OTHERWISE
- 25 OUALIFIED:
- 26 (I) AN ELECTOR WHOSE PHYSICAL DISABILITY OR ILLNESS
- 27 PREVENTED THE ELECTOR FROM APPLYING FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT
- 28 BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE [FIRST TUESDAY] FIFTEENTH DAY
- 29 PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.
- 30 (II) AN ELECTOR WHO, BECAUSE OF THE ELECTOR'S BUSINESS,

- 1 DUTIES OR OCCUPATION, WAS UNABLE TO APPLY FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT
- 2 BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE [FIRST TUESDAY] FIFTEENTH DAY_
- 3 PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION.
- 4 (III) AN ELECTOR WHO BECOMES SO PHYSICALLY DISABLED OR ILL
- 5 AFTER FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE [FIRST TUESDAY] FIFTEENTH DAY
- 6 PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION THAT THE ELECTOR IS
- 7 UNABLE TO APPEAR AT THE POLLING PLACE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY
- 8 OR ELECTION.
- 9 (IV) AN ELECTOR WHO, BECAUSE OF THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTOR'S
- 10 BUSINESS, DUTIES OR OCCUPATION, WILL NECESSARILY BE ABSENT FROM
- 11 THE ELECTOR'S MUNICIPALITY OF RESIDENCE ON THE DAY OF THE
- 12 PRIMARY OR ELECTION, WHICH FACT WAS NOT AND COULD NOT REASONABLY
- 13 BE KNOWN TO THE ELECTOR ON OR BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE
- 14 [FIRST TUESDAY] FIFTEENTH DAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR
- 15 ELECTION.
- 16 (2) AN ELECTOR DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) MAY SUBMIT AN
- 17 APPLICATION FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AT ANY TIME UP UNTIL THE TIME
- 18 OF THE CLOSING OF THE POLLS ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR
- 19 ELECTION. THE APPLICATION SHALL INCLUDE A DECLARATION DESCRIBING
- 20 THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT PREVENTED THE ELECTOR FROM APPLYING FOR
- 21 AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BEFORE FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. ON THE [FIRST
- 22 TUESDAY] FIFTEENTH DAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR
- 23 ELECTION OR THAT PREVENT THE ELECTOR FROM APPEARING AT THE
- 24 POLLING PLACE ON THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, AND THE
- 25 ELECTOR'S QUALIFICATIONS UNDER PARAGRAPH (1). THE DECLARATION
- 26 SHALL BE MADE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF 18 PA.C.S. § 4904
- 27 (RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES).
- 28 * * *
- 29 SECTION 7. SECTION 1303(E) OF THE ACT, AMENDED MARCH 27,
- 30 2020 (P.L.41, NO.12), IS AMENDED TO READ:

- 1 SECTION 1303. OFFICIAL ABSENTEE VOTERS BALLOTS.--* * *
- 2 (E) (1) THE OFFICIAL ABSENTEE VOTER BALLOT SHALL STATE
- 3 [THAT AN ELECTOR WHO RECEIVES AN ABSENTEE BALLOT PURSUANT TO
- 4 SECTION 1301 AND WHOSE VOTED BALLOT IS NOT TIMELY RECEIVED BY
- 5 THE COMMISSION AND WHO, ON ELECTION DAY, IS CAPABLE OF VOTING AT
- 6 THE APPROPRIATE POLLING PLACE MAY ONLY VOTE ON ELECTION DAY BY
- 7 PROVISIONAL BALLOT UNLESS THE ELECTOR BRINGS THE ELECTOR'S
- 8 ABSENTEE BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE, REMITS THE
- 9 BALLOT AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE DECLARATION OF THE
- 10 ELECTOR TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS TO BE SPOILED AND SIGNS A
- 11 STATEMENT SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES UNDER 18 PA.C.S. § 4904
- 12 (RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES) TO THE SAME
- 13 EFFECT.] THE FOLLOWING:
- 14 (I) THAT AN ELECTOR WHO DOES NOT RETURN THE ABSENTEE BALLOT
- 15 BY MAIL MAY PERSONALLY DELIVER THE BALLOT, ENCLOSED WITHIN BOTH
- 16 THE ENVELOPE MARKED "OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT" AND THE ENVELOPE
- 17 CONTAINING THE DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR, TO ONLY THE
- 18 FOLLOWING:
- 19 (A) A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS,
- 20 BEFORE ELECTION DAY OR PRIOR TO EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. OF ELECTION
- 21 DAY, AT:
- 22 (I) THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS;
- 23 OR
- 24 (II) A LOCATION AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE DESIGNATED BY THE
- 25 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- 26 (B) THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE ON
- 27 ELECTION DAY DURING POLLING HOURS.
- 28 (II) THAT AN ELECTOR WHO RECEIVES AN ABSENTEE BALLOT
- 29 PURSUANT TO SECTION 1301 AND WHOSE VOTED BALLOT IS NOT TIMELY
- 30 RECEIVED AS SET FORTH IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) AND WHO, ON ELECTION

- 1 DAY, IS CAPABLE OF VOTING AT THE APPROPRIATE POLLING PLACE MAY
- 2 ONLY VOTE ON ELECTION DAY BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT.
- 3 (III) THAT AN ELECTOR MUST PERSONALLY RETURN OR MAIL THE
- 4 ELECTOR'S BALLOT.
- 5 (2) THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL PRESCRIBE THE
- 6 TEXT AND THE MANNER BY WHICH THE NOTICE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION
- 7 SHALL BE PRINTED ON A BALLOT AND SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING
- 8 STATEMENT:
- 9 THIS BALLOT MAY BE MAILED BY THE ELECTOR TO THE COUNTY BOARD
- 10 OF ELECTIONS OR PERSONALLY RETURNED BY THE ELECTOR TO THE
- JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION
- 12 DAY, OR IN PERSON ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY TO A MEMBER OR AN
- 13 EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT A LOCATION AT
- 14 THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 15 ELECTIONS OR IN PERSON ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY TO A MEMBER
- 16 OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT THE
- 17 PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND TO NO
- 18 OTHER LOCATION.
- 19 SECTION 8. SECTION 1305(B)(1) OF THE ACT, AMENDED OCTOBER
- 20 31, 2019 (P.L.552, NO.77), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 21 SECTION 1305. DELIVERING OR MAILING BALLOTS.--
- 22 * * *
- 23 (B) (1) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS UPON RECEIPT AND
- 24 APPROVAL OF AN APPLICATION FILED BY ANY ELECTOR QUALIFIED IN
- 25 ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1301, SUBSECTIONS (I)
- 26 TO (L), INCLUSIVE, SHALL COMMENCE TO DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL
- 27 ABSENTEE BALLOTS AS SOON AS A BALLOT IS CERTIFIED AND THE
- 28 BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE. WHILE ANY PROCEEDING IS PENDING IN A
- 29 FEDERAL OR STATE COURT WHICH WOULD AFFECT THE CONTENTS OF ANY
- 30 BALLOT, THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAY AWAIT A RESOLUTION OF

- 1 THAT PROCEEDING BUT IN ANY EVENT, SHALL COMMENCE TO DELIVER OR
- 2 MAIL OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS NOT LATER THAN THE [SECOND]
- 3 FOURTH TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION. FOR THOSE
- 4 APPLICANTS WHOSE PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT PROVIDED WITH
- 5 THE APPLICATION OR COULD NOT BE VERIFIED BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD
- 6 SHALL SEND THE NOTICE REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 1302.2(D) WITH THE
- 7 ABSENTEE BALLOT. AS ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED AND
- 8 APPROVED AFTER THE TIME THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
- 9 BEGINS DELIVERING OR MAILING OFFICIAL ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN
- 10 BALLOTS, THE BOARD SHALL DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL ABSENTEE
- 11 BALLOTS TO SUCH ADDITIONAL ELECTORS WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS.
- 12 * * *
- 13 SECTION 9. SECTION 1306(A) INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH AND (B)(3)
- 14 OF THE ACT, AMENDED MARCH 27, 2020 (P.L.41, NO.12), ARE AMENDED
- 15 AND SUBSECTION (B) IS AMENDED BY ADDING A PARAGRAPH TO READ:
- 16 SECTION 1306. VOTING BY ABSENTEE ELECTORS.--(A) EXCEPT AS
- 17 PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPHS (2) AND (3), AT ANY TIME AFTER RECEIVING
- 18 AN OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT, BUT ON OR BEFORE EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M.
- 19 THE DAY OF THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE ELECTOR SHALL, IN
- 20 SECRET, PROCEED TO MARK THE BALLOT ONLY IN BLACK LEAD PENCIL,
- 21 INDELIBLE PENCIL OR BLUE, BLACK OR BLUE-BLACK INK, IN FOUNTAIN
- 22 PEN OR BALL POINT PEN, AND THEN FOLD THE BALLOT, ENCLOSE AND
- 23 SECURELY SEAL THE SAME IN THE ENVELOPE ON WHICH IS PRINTED,
- 24 STAMPED OR ENDORSED "OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT." THIS ENVELOPE
- 25 SHALL THEN BE PLACED IN THE SECOND ONE, ON WHICH IS PRINTED THE
- 26 FORM OF DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR, AND THE ADDRESS OF THE
- 27 ELECTOR'S COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION AND THE LOCAL ELECTION
- 28 DISTRICT OF THE ELECTOR. THE ELECTOR SHALL THEN FILL OUT, DATE
- 29 AND SIGN THE DECLARATION PRINTED ON SUCH ENVELOPE. SUCH ENVELOPE
- 30 SHALL THEN BE SECURELY SEALED AND THE ELECTOR SHALL SEND SAME BY

- 1 MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID, EXCEPT WHERE FRANKED, OR DELIVER IT IN
- 2 PERSON TO SAID COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION[.] TO A MEMBER OR AN
- 3 EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT THE PERMANENT
- 4 OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO A MEMBER OR AN
- 5 EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT A LOCATION AT THE
- 6 COUNTY COURTHOUSE DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR
- 7 TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS OF THE ELECTOR'S ELECTION DISTRICT AT
- 8 THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE DURING POLLING HOURS AND TO NO OTHER
- 9 LOCATION.
- 10 * * *
- 11 (B) * * *
- 12 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (2), AN ELECTOR WHO REQUESTS
- 13 AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND WHO IS NOT SHOWN ON THE DISTRICT REGISTER
- 14 AS HAVING VOTED THE BALLOT MAY [VOTE AT THE POLLING PLACE IF THE
- 15 ELECTOR REMITS THE BALLOT AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE
- 16 DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS TO BE
- 17 SPOILED AND THE ELECTOR SIGNS A STATEMENT SUBJECT TO THE
- 18 PENALTIES UNDER 18 PA.C.S. § 4904 (RELATING TO UNSWORN
- 19 FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES) IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING
- 20 FORM:
- 21 I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM A QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTOR WHO
- 22 HAS OBTAINED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT. I FURTHER
- 23 DECLARE THAT I HAVE NOT CAST MY ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN
- 24 BALLOT, AND THAT INSTEAD I REMITTED MY ABSENTEE BALLOT OR
- 25 MAIL-IN BALLOT AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE DECLARATION OF
- THE ELECTOR TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT MY POLLING PLACE TO
- 27 BE SPOILED AND THEREFORE REQUEST THAT MY ABSENTEE BALLOT OR
- MAIL-IN BALLOT BE VOIDED.
- 29 (DATE)
- 30 (SIGNATURE OF ELECTOR).....(ADDRESS OF ELECTOR)

- 1 (LOCAL JUDGE OF ELECTIONS) PERSONALLY DELIVER THE COMPLETED
- 2 ABSENTEE BALLOT, ENCLOSED WITHIN BOTH THE ENVELOPE MARKED
- 3 "OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT" AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE
- 4 <u>DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR, TO ONLY THE FOLLOWING:</u>
- 5 (I) THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS OF THE ELECTOR'S ELECTION
- 6 <u>DISTRICT AT THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE DURING POLLING HOURS.</u>
- 7 (II) A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
- 8 AT A LOCATION AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY
- 9 BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- 10 (III) A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 11 ELECTIONS AT THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 12 ELECTIONS.
- 13 (4) A JUDGE OF ELECTIONS SHALL KEEP ALL MATERIAL DELIVERED
- 14 UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) (I) IN A SECURE, SAFE AND SEALED CONTAINER IN
- 15 THE CUSTODY OF THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS UNTIL DELIVERY OF THE
- 16 MATERIAL TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS UNDER SECTION
- 17 1308 (A.1).
- 18 * * *
- 19 SECTION 10. SECTION 1308(G)(1.1), (2) AND (3) OF THE ACT,
- 20 AMENDED OCTOBER 31, 2019 (P.L.552, NO.77) AND MARCH 27, 2020
- 21 (P.L.41, NO.12), ARE AMENDED AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED BY
- 22 ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 23 SECTION 1308. CANVASSING OF OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND
- 24 MAIL-IN BALLOTS.--* * *
- 25 (A.1) A JUDGE OF ELECTIONS SHALL DELIVER ALL MATERIAL
- 26 PERSONALLY DELIVERED UNDER SECTIONS 1306(B)(3)(I) AND 1306-D(B)
- 27 (3)(I) TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS BY TWO O'CLOCK A.M. ON
- 28 THE DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION.
- 29 * * *
- 30 (G) * * *

- 1 (1.1) THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO PRE-CANVASSING BY A COUNTY
- 2 BOARD OF ELECTIONS:
- 3 (I) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MEET [NO EARLIER
- 4 THAN SEVEN O'CLOCK A.M. ON ELECTION DAY] AT LEAST ONCE BEFORE
- 5 <u>ELECTION DAY</u> TO PRE-CANVASS ALL BALLOTS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE
- 6 MEETING.
- 7 (II) A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAY NOT PRE-CANVASS
- 8 <u>ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS BEFORE EIGHT O'CLOCK A.M.</u>
- 9 ON THE SATURDAY BEFORE THE ELECTION.
- 10 (III) A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAY NOT PRE-CANVASS
- 11 ABSENTEE BALLOTS OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS RECEIVED ON OR AFTER THE DAY
- 12 OF THE ELECTION.
- 13 (IV) IF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEETS TO PRE-CANVASS
- 14 ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS AT A LOCATION OTHER THAN
- 15 THE OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, THE COUNTY BOARD
- 16 OF ELECTIONS SHALL MAINTAIN SECURITY AND CHAIN OF CUSTODY OF ANY
- 17 MATERIAL TRANSPORTED TO THE LOCATION FROM THE OFFICES OF THE
- 18 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
- 19 (V) A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL PROVIDE AT LEAST
- 20 FORTY-EIGHT HOURS' NOTICE OF A PRE-CANVASS MEETING BY PUBLICLY
- 21 POSTING A NOTICE OF A PRE-CANVASS MEETING ON ITS PUBLICLY
- 22 ACCESSIBLE INTERNET WEBSITE.
- 23 (VI) ONE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH CANDIDATE IN AN
- 24 ELECTION, ONE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY
- 25 CHAIRPERSON OF EACH POLITICAL PARTY AND ONE AUTHORIZED
- 26 REPRESENTATIVE [FROM] OF EACH POLITICAL PARTY SHALL BE PERMITTED
- 27 TO REMAIN IN THE ROOM IN WHICH THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN
- 28 BALLOTS ARE PRE-CANVASSED. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES SHALL BE
- 29 PERMITTED TO BE IN AN AREA WHICH IS WITHIN AUDIO RANGE AND HAS A
- 30 CLEAR LINE OF SIGHT OF THE PRE-CANVASSING ACTIVITIES.

- 1 (VII) A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL RECORD THE PRE-
- 2 CANVASSING ACTIVITIES WITH AUDIO AND VISUAL RECORDING. A
- 3 RECORDING UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE ONLY
- 4 AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS UNDER SECTION 308.
- 5 (VIII) NO PERSON OBSERVING, ATTENDING OR PARTICIPATING IN A
- 6 PRE-CANVASS MEETING OR WHO VIEWS OR LISTENS TO A RECORDING UNDER
- 7 SUBPARAGRAPH (VII) MAY DISCLOSE THE RESULTS OF ANY PORTION OF
- 8 ANY PRE-CANVASS MEETING PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS.
- 9 (2) THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO CANVASSING BY A COUNTY BOARD OF
- 10 ELECTIONS:
- 11 (I) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL MEET NO EARLIER THAN
- 12 THE CLOSE OF POLLS ON THE DAY OF THE ELECTION AND NO LATER THAN
- 13 [THE THIRD] <u>NINE O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE</u> DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION
- 14 TO BEGIN CANVASSING ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS [NOT
- 15 INCLUDED IN THE PRE-CANVASS MEETING].
- 16 (II) THE MEETING UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL
- 17 ALL ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE
- 18 CLOSE OF THE POLLS HAVE BEEN CANVASSED.
- 19 (III) THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL NOT RECORD OR
- 20 PUBLISH ANY VOTES REFLECTED ON THE BALLOTS PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF
- 21 THE POLLS.
- 22 (IV) THE CANVASS PROCESS SHALL CONTINUE THROUGH THE EIGHTH
- 23 DAY FOLLOWING THE ELECTION FOR VALID MILITARY-OVERSEAS BALLOTS
- 24 TIMELY RECEIVED UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 3511 (RELATING TO RECEIPT OF
- 25 VOTED BALLOT).
- 26 (V) A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL PROVIDE AT LEAST
- 27 FORTY-EIGHT HOURS' NOTICE OF A CANVASS MEETING BY PUBLICLY
- 28 POSTING A NOTICE ON ITS PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE INTERNET WEBSITE.
- 29 (VI) ONE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH CANDIDATE IN AN
- 30 ELECTION, ONE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY

- 1 CHAIRPERSON OF EACH POLITICAL PARTY AND ONE AUTHORIZED
- 2 REPRESENTATIVE [FROM] OF EACH POLITICAL PARTY SHALL BE PERMITTED
- 3 TO REMAIN IN THE ROOM IN WHICH THE ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN
- 4 BALLOTS ARE CANVASSED. <u>AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES SHALL BE</u>
- 5 PERMITTED TO BE IN AN AREA WHICH IS WITHIN AUDIO RANGE AND HAS A
- 6 <u>CLEAR LINE OF SIGHT OF THE CANVASSING ACTIVITIES.</u>
- 7 (VII) A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS SHALL RECORD THE
- 8 CANVASSING ACTIVITIES WITH AUDIO AND VISUAL RECORDING. A
- 9 RECORDING UNDER THIS SUBPARAGRAPH SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE UNDER
- 10 SECTION 308.
- 11 (3) WHEN THE COUNTY BOARD MEETS TO PRE-CANVASS OR CANVASS
- 12 ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS UNDER PARAGRAPHS (1), (1.1)
- 13 AND (2), THE BOARD SHALL [EXAMINE] DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 14 (I) EXAMINE THE DECLARATION ON THE ENVELOPE OF EACH BALLOT
- 15 NOT SET ASIDE UNDER SUBSECTION (D) AND SHALL COMPARE THE
- 16 INFORMATION THEREON WITH THAT CONTAINED IN THE "REGISTERED
- 17 ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTERS FILE, " THE ABSENTEE VOTERS' LIST
- 18 AND/OR THE "MILITARY VETERANS AND EMERGENCY CIVILIANS ABSENTEE
- 19 VOTERS FILE," WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE.
- 20 (II) IF THE COUNTY BOARD HAS VERIFIED THE PROOF OF
- 21 IDENTIFICATION AS REQUIRED UNDER THIS ACT AND IS SATISFIED THAT
- 22 THE DECLARATION IS SUFFICIENT AND THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN
- 23 THE "REGISTERED ABSENTEE AND MAIL-IN VOTERS FILE," THE ABSENTEE
- 24 VOTERS' LIST AND/OR THE "MILITARY VETERANS AND EMERGENCY
- 25 CIVILIANS ABSENTEE VOTERS FILE" VERIFIES HIS RIGHT TO VOTE, [THE
- 26 COUNTY BOARD SHALL] PROVIDE A LIST OF THE NAMES OF ELECTORS
- 27 WHOSE ABSENTEE BALLOTS OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS ARE TO BE PRE-
- 28 CANVASSED OR CANVASSED.
- 29 (III) FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS OR MAIL-IN BALLOTS WHICH THE
- 30 COUNTY BOARD IS NOT SATISFIED THAT PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION HAS

- 1 BEEN PROVIDED DUE TO ANY INABILITY TO MATCH THE SIGNATURE
- 2 PRESENT ON THE BALLOT TO THE SIGNATURE ON FILE:
- 3 (A) NOTIFY THE ELECTOR BY MAIL, E-MAIL, TELEPHONE OR TEXT
- 4 MESSAGE THAT THE SIGNATURE ON THE ELECTOR'S BALLOT DOES NOT
- 5 MATCH THE ELECTOR'S SIGNATURE IN THE REGISTRATION BOOKS.
- 6 (B) DIRECT THE ELECTOR TO APPEAR BEFORE, OR TO PROVIDE AN
- 7 ELECTRONIC, FACSIMILE OR PAPER COPY TO, THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 8 ELECTIONS WITHIN SIX (6) CALENDAR DAYS OF THE NOTICE WITH:
- 9 (I) PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION AND AN EXECUTED AFFIRMATION
- 10 ATTESTING, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, THAT THE ELECTOR IS THE
- 11 SAME INDIVIDUAL WHO PERSONALLY REMITTED THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR
- 12 MAIL-IN BALLOT; OR
- 13 (II) AN EXECUTED AFFIRMATION ATTESTING, UNDER PENALTY OF
- 14 PERJURY, THAT THE ELECTOR IS THE SAME INDIVIDUAL WHO PERSONALLY
- 15 REMITTED THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT AND THAT THE
- 16 ELECTOR IS INDIGENT AND UNABLE TO OBTAIN PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION
- 17 WITHOUT THE PAYMENT OF A FEE.
- 18 (C) NOTIFY THE ELECTOR THAT THE ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN
- 19 BALLOT MAY NOT BE COUNTED IF THE ELECTOR FAILS TO COMPLY WITH
- 20 CLAUSE (B).
- 21 * * *
- 22 SECTION 11. THE HEADING OF ARTICLE XIII-C OF THE ACT IS
- 23 AMENDED TO READ:
- 24 ARTICLE XIII-C
- 25 STATEWIDE UNIFORM REGISTRY OF ELECTORS [ADVISORY BOARD]
- 26 SECTION 12. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
- 27 <u>SECTION 1303-C. SURE REQUIREMENTS.</u>
- 28 <u>IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER 25 PA.C.S. § 1222(C)</u>
- 29 (RELATING TO SURE SYSTEM), THE SURE SYSTEM SHALL DO ALL OF THE
- 30 FOLLOWING:

1	(1) TRACK APPLICATIONS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND MAIL-IN
2	BALLOTS; AND
3	(2) ASSIGN A UNIQUE SCANNABLE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER TO
4	BE AFFIXED TO THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE DECLARATION OF THE
5	ELECTOR WHICH IS RETURNED BY THE ELECTOR WITH EACH ABSENTEE
6	BALLOT AND MAIL-IN BALLOT.
7	SECTION 13. SECTION 1302-D(F) OF THE ACT, AMENDED MARCH 27,
8	2020 (P.L.41, NO.12), IS AMENDED TO READ:
9	SECTION 1302-D. APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS.
10	* * *
11	(F) FORMTHE FOLLOWING SHALL APPLY:
12	(1) APPLICATION FOR AN OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOT SHALL BE
13	ON PHYSICAL AND ELECTRONIC FORMS PRESCRIBED BY THE SECRETARY
14	OF THE COMMONWEALTH.
15	(2) THE APPLICATION SHALL STATE [THAT] THE FOLLOWING:
16	(I) THAT A VOTER WHO APPLIES FOR A MAIL-IN BALLOT
17	UNDER SECTION 1301-D SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT A
18	POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY [UNLESS THE ELECTOR BRINGS
19	THE ELECTOR'S MAIL-IN BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR'S POLLING
20	PLACE, REMITS THE BALLOT AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE
21	DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS TO
22	BE SPOILED AND SIGNS A STATEMENT SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES
23	UNDER 18 PA.C.S. § 4904 (RELATING TO UNSWORN
24	FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES) TO THE SAME EFFECT.] EXCEPT
25	BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT.
26	(II) THAT AN ELECTOR WHO DOES NOT RETURN THE MAIL-IN
27	BALLOT BY MAIL MAY PERSONALLY DELIVER THE MAIL-IN BALLOT
28	TO ONLY THE FOLLOWING:
29	(A) A MEMBER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
30	ELECTIONS AT THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY

1	BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
2	(B) A MEMBER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
3	ELECTIONS AT A LOCATION AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
4	DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
5	(C) A JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT THE ELECTOR'S
6	POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY.
7	(3) THE PHYSICAL APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE FREELY
8	AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC AT COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS,
9	MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS AND AT OTHER LOCATIONS DESIGNATED BY THE
10	SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.
11	(4) THE ELECTRONIC APPLICATION FORMS SHALL BE MADE
12	FREELY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC THROUGH PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE
13	MEANS.
14	(5) NO WRITTEN APPLICATION OR PERSONAL REQUEST SHALL BE
15	NECESSARY TO RECEIVE OR ACCESS THE APPLICATION FORMS.
16	(6) COPIES AND RECORDS OF ALL COMPLETED PHYSICAL AND
17	ELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS FOR OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL BE
18	RETAINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.
19	* * *
20	SECTION 14. SECTION 1302.1-D(A) OF THE ACT, ADDED OCTOBER
21	31, 2019 (P.L.552, NO.77), IS AMENDED TO READ:
22	SECTION 1302.1-D. DATE OF APPLICATION FOR MAIL-IN BALLOT.
23	(A) GENERAL RULE APPLICATIONS FOR MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL BE
24	RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS NOT
25	EARLIER THAN 50 DAYS BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, EXCEPT THAT
26	IF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS DETERMINES THAT IT WOULD BE
27	APPROPRIATE TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS' OPERATIONAL NEEDS,
28	ANY APPLICATIONS FOR MAIL-IN BALLOTS RECEIVED MORE THAN 50 DAYS
29	BEFORE THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION MAY BE PROCESSED BEFORE THAT
30	TIME. APPLICATIONS FOR MAIL-IN BALLOTS SHALL BE PROCESSED IF

- 1 RECEIVED NOT LATER THAN FIVE O'CLOCK P.M. OF THE [FIRST TUESDAY]
- 2 FIFTEENTH DAY PRIOR TO THE DAY OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION.
- 3 * * *
- 4 SECTION 15. SECTIONS 1303-D(E) AND 1305-D OF THE ACT,
- 5 AMENDED MARCH 27, 2020 (P.L.41, NO.12), ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 6 SECTION 1303-D. OFFICIAL MAIL-IN ELECTOR BALLOTS.
- 7 * * *
- 8 (E) NOTICE.--
- 9 (1) THE OFFICIAL MAIL-IN VOTER BALLOT SHALL STATE [THAT
- A VOTER WHO RECEIVES A MAIL-IN BALLOT UNDER SECTION 1301-D
- 11 AND WHOSE VOTED MAIL-IN BALLOT IS NOT TIMELY RECEIVED MAY
- 12 ONLY VOTE ON ELECTION DAY BY PROVISIONAL BALLOT UNLESS THE
- 13 ELECTOR BRINGS THE ELECTOR'S MAIL-IN BALLOT TO THE ELECTOR'S
- 14 POLLING PLACE, REMITS THE BALLOT AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING
- THE DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS TO
- 16 BE SPOILED AND SIGNS A STATEMENT SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES OF
- 17 18 PA.C.S. § 4904 (RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO
- 18 AUTHORITIES) TO THE SAME EFFECT.] THE FOLLOWING:
- 19 (I) THAT AN ELECTOR WHO DOES NOT RETURN THE MAIL-IN
- 20 BALLOT BY MAIL MAY PERSONALLY DELIVER THE BALLOT,
- 21 ENCLOSED WITHIN BOTH THE ENVELOPE MARKED "OFFICIAL
- 22 ELECTION BALLOT" AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE
- 23 DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR, TO ONLY THE FOLLOWING:
- (A) A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
- 25 OF ELECTIONS, BEFORE ELECTION DAY OR PRIOR TO 8 P.M.
- OF ELECTION DAY, AT:
- 27 (I) THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY
- 28 BOARD OF ELECTIONS; OR
- 29 (II) A LOCATION AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
- 30 DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.

Τ	(B) THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT THE ELECTOR'S
2	POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY DURING POLLING HOURS.
3	(II) THAT AN ELECTOR WHO RECEIVES A MAIL-IN BALLOT
4	UNDER SECTION 1301-D AND WHOSE VOTED BALLOT IS NOT TIMELY
5	RECEIVED AS SET FORTH UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) AND WHO, ON
6	ELECTION DAY, IS CAPABLE OF VOTING AT THE APPROPRIATE
7	POLLING PLACE MAY ONLY VOTE ON ELECTION DAY BY
8	PROVISIONAL BALLOT.
9	(III) THAT AN ELECTOR MUST PERSONALLY RETURN OR MAIL
10	THE ELECTOR'S BALLOT.
11	(2) THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH SHALL PRESCRIBE
12	THE TEXT AND THE MANNER BY WHICH THE NOTICE UNDER THIS
13	SUBSECTION SHALL BE PRINTED ON A BALLOT AND SHALL INCLUDE THE
14	FOLLOWING STATEMENT:
15	THIS BALLOT MAY BE MAILED BY THE ELECTOR TO THE
16	COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR PERSONALLY RETURNED BY
17	THE ELECTOR TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT THE
18	ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY, OR IN PERSON
19	ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY TO A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYEE
20	OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT A LOCATION AT THE
21	COUNTY COURTHOUSE DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF
22	ELECTIONS OR IN PERSON ON OR BEFORE ELECTION DAY TO A
23	MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
24	ELECTIONS AT THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY
25	BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND TO NO OTHER LOCATION.
26	SECTION 1305-D. DELIVERING OR MAILING BALLOTS.
27	THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, UPON RECEIPT AND APPROVAL OF
28	AN APPLICATION FILED BY A QUALIFIED ELECTOR UNDER SECTION 1301-
29	D, SHALL COMMENCE TO DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS
30	AS SOON AS A BALLOT IS CERTIFIED AND THE BALLOTS ARE AVAILABLE.

- 1 WHILE ANY PROCEEDING IS PENDING IN A FEDERAL OR STATE COURT
- 2 WHICH WOULD AFFECT THE CONTENTS OF ANY BALLOT, THE COUNTY BOARD
- 3 OF ELECTIONS MAY AWAIT A RESOLUTION OF THAT PROCEEDING BUT IN
- 4 ANY EVENT, SHALL COMMENCE TO DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL MAIL-IN
- 5 BALLOTS NOT LATER THAN THE [SECOND] FOURTH TUESDAY PRIOR TO THE
- 6 PRIMARY OR ELECTION. FOR APPLICANTS WHOSE PROOF OF
- 7 IDENTIFICATION WAS NOT PROVIDED WITH THE APPLICATION OR COULD
- 8 NOT BE VERIFIED BY THE BOARD, THE BOARD SHALL SEND THE NOTICE
- 9 REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 1302.2-D(C) WITH THE MAIL-IN BALLOT. AS
- 10 ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED AND APPROVED, THE BOARD
- 11 SHALL DELIVER OR MAIL OFFICIAL MAIL-IN BALLOTS TO THE ADDITIONAL
- 12 ELECTORS WITHIN 48 HOURS.
- 13 SECTION 15.1. SECTION 1306-D(A) AND (B)(3) OF THE ACT,
- 14 AMENDED MARCH 27, 2020 (P.L.41, NO.12), ARE AMENDED AND
- 15 SUBSECTION (B) IS AMENDED BY ADDING A PARAGRAPH TO READ:
- 16 SECTION 1306-D. VOTING BY MAIL-IN ELECTORS.
- 17 (A) GENERAL RULE. -- AT ANY TIME AFTER RECEIVING AN OFFICIAL
- 18 MAIL-IN BALLOT, BUT ON OR BEFORE EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. THE DAY OF
- 19 THE PRIMARY OR ELECTION, THE MAIL-IN ELECTOR SHALL, IN SECRET,
- 20 PROCEED TO MARK THE BALLOT ONLY IN BLACK LEAD PENCIL, INDELIBLE
- 21 PENCIL OR BLUE, BLACK OR BLUE-BLACK INK, IN FOUNTAIN PEN OR BALL
- 22 POINT PEN, AND THEN FOLD THE BALLOT, ENCLOSE AND SECURELY SEAL
- 23 THE SAME IN THE ENVELOPE ON WHICH IS PRINTED, STAMPED OR
- 24 ENDORSED "OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT." THIS ENVELOPE SHALL THEN BE
- 25 PLACED IN THE SECOND ONE, ON WHICH IS PRINTED THE FORM OF
- 26 DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR, AND THE ADDRESS OF THE ELECTOR'S
- 27 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION AND THE LOCAL ELECTION DISTRICT OF THE
- 28 ELECTOR. THE ELECTOR SHALL THEN FILL OUT, DATE AND SIGN THE
- 29 DECLARATION PRINTED ON SUCH ENVELOPE. SUCH ENVELOPE SHALL THEN
- 30 BE SECURELY SEALED AND THE ELECTOR SHALL SEND SAME BY MAIL,

- 1 POSTAGE PREPAID, EXCEPT WHERE FRANKED, OR DELIVER IT IN PERSON
- 2 [TO SAID COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION.] TO A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYEE
- 3 OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE
- 4 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, TO A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE
- 5 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AT A LOCATION AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE
- 6 <u>DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR TO THE JUDGE OF</u>
- 7 ELECTIONS OF THE ELECTOR'S ELECTION DISTRICT AT THE ELECTOR'S
- 8 POLLING PLACE DURING POLLING HOURS AND TO NO OTHER LOCATION.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (B) ELIGIBILITY.--
- 11 * * *
- 12 (3) NOTWITHSTANDING PARAGRAPH (2), AN ELECTOR WHO
- 13 REQUESTS A MAIL-IN BALLOT AND WHO IS NOT SHOWN ON THE
- 14 DISTRICT REGISTER AS HAVING VOTED THE BALLOT [MAY VOTE AT THE
- 15 POLLING PLACE IF THE ELECTOR REMITS THE BALLOT AND THE
- 16 ENVELOPE CONTAINING THE DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR TO THE
- 17 JUDGE OF ELECTIONS TO BE SPOILED AND THE ELECTOR SIGNS A
- 18 STATEMENT SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES OF 18 PA.C.S. § 4904
- 19 (RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES) WHICH
- 20 SHALL BE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:
- 21 I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I AM A QUALIFIED REGISTERED ELECTOR
- 22 WHO HAS OBTAINED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT. I
- 23 FURTHER DECLARE THAT I HAVE NOT CAST MY ABSENTEE BALLOT OR
- 24 MAIL-IN BALLOT, AND THAT INSTEAD I REMITTED MY ABSENTEE
- 25 BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT TO THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS AT MY
- 26 POLLING PLACE TO BE SPOILED AND THEREFORE REQUEST THAT MY
- ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT BE VOIDED.
- 28 (DATE)
- 29 (SIGNATURE OF ELECTOR).....(ADDRESS OF ELECTOR)
- 30 (LOCAL JUDGE OF ELECTIONS) MAY PERSONALLY DELIVER THE

- 1 COMPLETED MAIL-IN BALLOT, ENCLOSED WITHIN BOTH THE ENVELOPE
- 2 MARKED "OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT" AND THE ENVELOPE CONTAINING
- 3 THE DECLARATION OF THE ELECTOR, TO ONLY THE FOLLOWING:
- 4 <u>(I) THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS OF THE ELECTOR'S ELECTION</u>
- 5 <u>DISTRICT AT THE ELECTOR'S POLLING PLACE DURING POLLING</u>
- 6 HOURS.
- 7 (II) A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 8 <u>ELECTIONS AT A LOCATION AT THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE</u>
- 9 <u>DESIGNATED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS.</u>
- 10 (III) A MEMBER OR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- ELECTIONS AT THE PERMANENT OFFICES OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 12 <u>ELECTIONS.</u>
- 13 (4) A JUDGE OF ELECTIONS SHALL KEEP ALL MATERIAL
- 14 <u>DELIVERED UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) (I) IN A SECURE, SAFE AND SEALED</u>
- 15 <u>CONTAINER IN THE CUSTODY OF THE JUDGE OF ELECTIONS UNTIL</u>
- 16 DELIVERY OF THE MATERIAL TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS
- 17 <u>UNDER SECTION</u> 1308(A.1).
- 18 * * *
- 19 SECTION 16. SECTIONS 1801, 1802, 1802.1, 1803, 1804, 1805,
- 20 1806, 1807, 1808, 1809, 1810, 1811, 1812, 1813, 1814, 1815,
- 21 1816, 1817, 1818, 1819, 1820, 1821, 1823, 1824, 1825, 1827,
- 22 1828, 1829, 1830, 1831, 1832, 1833, 1834, 1835, 1836, 1837,
- 23 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1843, 1845, 1847, 1848, 1849 AND 1850
- 24 OF THE ACT ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 25 SECTION 1801. DISOBEYING LAWFUL INSTRUCTIONS.--ANY PERSON
- 26 WHO WILFULLY DISOBEYS ANY LAWFUL INSTRUCTION OR ORDER OF ANY
- 27 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, OR WHO REFUSES TO OBEY THEIR SUBPOENA
- 28 DULY ISSUED AND SERVED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, SHALL
- 29 BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL
- 30 BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE HUNDRED (\$500)]

- 1 ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT NOT
- 2 EXCEEDING [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 3 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 4 SECTION 1802. PERJURY.--ANY WILFUL FALSE STATEMENT MADE
- 5 UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION OR IN WRITING, STATING THAT IT IS SO
- 6 MADE, ALTHOUGH SUCH OATH OR AFFIRMATION MAY NOT HAVE ACTUALLY
- 7 BEEN MADE, BY ANY PERSON REGARDING ANY MATERIAL MATTER OR THING
- 8 RELATING TO ANY SUBJECT BEING INVESTIGATED, HEARD, DETERMINED OR
- 9 ACTED UPON BY ANY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, OR MEMBER THEREOF,
- 10 OR BY ANY COURT OR JUDGE THEREOF, JUDGE OF ELECTION, INSPECTOR
- 11 OF ELECTION, OR OVERSEER, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THIS
- 12 ACT, SHALL BE PERJURY, A MISDEMEANOR OF THE FIRST DEGREE, AND
- 13 ANY PERSON, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A
- 14 FINE NOT EXCEEDING [TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000)] TWENTY THOUSAND
- 15 (\$20,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE
- 16 THAN [FIVE (5)] TEN (10) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF
- 17 THE COURT.
- 18 SECTION 1802.1. FALSE AFFIDAVITS OF CANDIDATES.--ANY
- 19 CANDIDATE FOR STATE, COUNTY, CITY, BOROUGH, INCORPORATED TOWN,
- 20 TOWNSHIP OR SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE OR FOR THE OFFICE OF UNITED
- 21 STATES SENATOR OR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS OR ANY OTHER
- 22 ELECTIVE PUBLIC OFFICE WHO KNOWINGLY MAKES A FALSE STATEMENT
- 23 REGARDING HIS ELIGIBILITY OR QUALIFICATIONS FOR SUCH OFFICE IN
- 24 HIS CANDIDATE'S AFFIDAVIT SHALL, IN LITIGATION WHICH RESULTS IN
- 25 THE REMOVAL OF THE CANDIDATE FROM THE BALLOT, BE LIABLE FOR
- 26 COURT COSTS, INCLUDING FILING FEES, ATTORNEY FEES, INVESTIGATION
- 27 FEES AND SIMILAR COSTS, IN AN AMOUNT UP TO [TEN THOUSAND
- 28 (\$10,000)] <u>TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000)</u> DOLLARS.
- 29 SECTION 1803. REFUSAL TO PERMIT INSPECTION OF PAPERS;
- 30 DESTRUCTION OR REMOVAL; SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH. -- ANY

- 1 SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, DEPUTY, OR EMPLOYE OF HIS OFFICE,
- 2 WHO SHALL REFUSE TO PERMIT THE PUBLIC INSPECTION OR COPYING AS
- 3 AUTHORIZED, EXCEPT WHEN IN USE IN HIS OFFICE, BY THIS ACT, OF
- 4 ANY RETURN, NOMINATION PETITION, CERTIFICATE OR PAPER, OTHER
- 5 PETITION, ACCOUNT, CONTRACT, REPORT OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT OR
- 6 RECORD IN HIS CUSTODY WHICH, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT,
- 7 IS REQUIRED TO BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION; OR WHO SHALL
- 8 DESTROY OR ALTER, OR PERMIT TO BE DESTROYED OR ALTERED, ANY SUCH
- 9 DOCUMENT OR RECORD DURING THE PERIOD FOR WHICH THE SAME IS
- 10 REQUIRED TO BE KEPT IN HIS OFFICE; OR WHO SHALL REMOVE ANY SUCH
- 11 DOCUMENT OR RECORD FROM HIS OFFICE DURING SAID PERIOD, OR PERMIT
- 12 THE SAME TO BE REMOVED, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO THE DIRECTION OF ANY
- 13 COMPETENT COURT OR ANY COMMITTEE REQUIRED TO DETERMINE ANY
- 14 CONTESTED PRIMARY OR ELECTION, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR,
- 15 AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE
- 16 NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000)
- 17 DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1)]
- 18 MONTH] TWO (2) MONTHS NOR MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR
- 19 BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 20 SECTION 1804. REFUSAL TO PERMIT INSPECTION OF PAPERS;
- 21 DESTRUCTION OR REMOVAL; COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS. -- ANY MEMBER,
- 22 CHIEF CLERK OR OTHER EMPLOYE OF ANY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS,
- 23 WHO SHALL REFUSE TO PERMIT THE PUBLIC INSPECTION OR COPYING, AS
- 24 AUTHORIZED BY THIS ACT, OF ANY GENERAL OR DUPLICATE RETURN
- 25 SHEET, TALLY PAPER, AFFIDAVIT, NOMINATION PETITION, CERTIFICATE
- 26 OR PAPER, OTHER PETITION, WITNESS LIST, ACCOUNT, CONTRACT,
- 27 REPORT OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT OR RECORD IN THE CUSTODY OF SUCH
- 28 COUNTY BOARD WHICH, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, IS
- 29 REQUIRED TO BE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION; OR WHO SHALL DESTROY
- 30 OR ALTER, OR PERMIT TO BE DESTROYED OR ALTERED, ANY SUCH

- 1 DOCUMENT OR RECORD DURING THE PERIOD FOR WHICH THE SAME IS
- 2 REQUIRED TO BE KEPT IN THE OFFICE OF SUCH COUNTY BOARD; OR WHO
- 3 SHALL REMOVE ANY SUCH DOCUMENT OR RECORD FROM THE OFFICE OF SUCH
- 4 COUNTY BOARD DURING SAID PERIOD, OR PERMIT THE SAME TO BE
- 5 REMOVED, EXCEPT PURSUANT TO THE DIRECTION OF ANY COMPETENT COURT
- 6 OR ANY COMMITTEE REQUIRED TO DETERMINE ANY CONTESTED PRIMARY OR
- 7 ELECTION, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION
- 8 THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE
- 9 THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO
- 10 AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1) MONTH] TWO (2) MONTHS
- 11 NOR MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 12 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 13 SECTION 1805. INSERTION AND ALTERATION OF ENTRIES IN
- 14 DOCUMENTS; REMOVAL; REFUSAL TO DELIVER. -- ANY MEMBER, CHIEF CLERK
- 15 OR EMPLOYE OF ANY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR JUDGE, INSPECTOR
- 16 OR CLERK OF ELECTION, MACHINE INSPECTOR, OVERSEER, OR OTHER
- 17 PERSON, WHO KNOWINGLY INSERTS OR KNOWINGLY PERMITS TO BE
- 18 INSERTED ANY FICTITIOUS NAME, FALSE FIGURE OR OTHER FRAUDULENT
- 19 ENTRY ON OR IN ANY REGISTRATION CARD, DISTRICT REGISTER, VOTER'S
- 20 CERTIFICATE, LIST OF VOTERS, AFFIDAVIT, TALLY PAPER, GENERAL OR
- 21 DUPLICATE RETURN SHEET, STATEMENT, CERTIFICATE, OATH, VOUCHER,
- 22 ACCOUNT, BALLOT OR OTHER RECORD OR DOCUMENT AUTHORIZED OR
- 23 REQUIRED TO BE MADE, USED, SIGNED, RETURNED OR PRESERVED FOR ANY
- 24 PUBLIC PURPOSE IN CONNECTION WITH ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION; OR
- 25 WHO MATERIALLY ALTERS OR INTENTIONALLY DESTROYS ANY ENTRY WHICH
- 26 HAS BEEN LAWFULLY MADE THEREIN, EXCEPT BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY
- 27 BOARD OF ELECTIONS OR COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION, OR WHO
- 28 TAKES OR REMOVES ANY SUCH BOOK, AFFIDAVIT, RETURN, ACCOUNT,
- 29 BALLOT OR OTHER DOCUMENT OR RECORD FROM THE CUSTODY OF ANY
- 30 PERSON HAVING LAWFUL CHARGE THEREOF, IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE

- 1 SAME FROM BEING USED OR INSPECTED OR COPIED AS REQUIRED OR
- 2 PERMITTED BY THIS ACT, OR WHO NEGLECTS OR REFUSES, WITHIN THE
- 3 TIME AND IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY THIS ACT, TO DELIVER THE SAME
- 4 INTO THE CUSTODY OF THE OFFICERS WHO ARE REQUIRED BY THIS ACT TO
- 5 USE OR KEEP THE SAME, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND,
- 6 UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 7 EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS,
- 8 OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1) MONTH]
- 9 TWO (2) MONTHS OR MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH,
- 10 IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 11 SECTION 1806. REFUSAL TO PERMIT OVERSEERS, WATCHERS,
- 12 ATTORNEYS OR CANDIDATES TO ACT. -- ANY MEMBER OF A COUNTY BOARD OF
- 13 ELECTIONS, JUDGE OF ELECTION OR INSPECTOR OF ELECTION WHO SHALL
- 14 REFUSE TO PERMIT ANY OVERSEER OR WATCHER, ATTORNEY OR CANDIDATE
- 15 TO BE PRESENT, AS AUTHORIZED BY THIS ACT, AT ANY SESSION OF A
- 16 COUNTY BOARD, COMPUTATION AND CANVASSING OF RETURNS OF ANY
- 17 PRIMARY OR ELECTION, RECOUNT OF BALLOTS OR RECANVASS OF VOTING
- 18 MACHINES, AS AUTHORIZED BY THIS ACT, OR AT ANY POLLING PLACE
- 19 DURING THE TIME THE POLLS ARE OPEN AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION,
- 20 AND AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE POLLS DURING THE TIME THE BALLOTS ARE
- 21 COUNTED OR VOTING MACHINE CANVASSED AND UNTIL THE RETURNS OF
- 22 SUCH PRIMARY OR ELECTION HAVE BEEN MADE UP AND SIGNED, SHALL BE
- 23 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE
- 24 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)]
- 25 TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT NOT
- 26 EXCEEDING [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 27 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 28 SECTION 1807. DRIVING AWAY WATCHERS, ATTORNEYS, CANDIDATES
- 29 OR OVERSEERS. -- ANY PERSON WHO BY VIOLENCE OR INTIMIDATION SHALL
- 30 THREATEN OR DRIVE AWAY ANY WATCHER, ATTORNEY, CANDIDATE OR

- 1 OVERSEER, OR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, OR
- 2 OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, REQUIRED OR PERMITTED TO
- 3 BE PRESENT AT ANY POLLING PLACE, OR WHO SHALL IN ANY MANNER
- 4 PREVENT ANY OVERSEER, OR REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF
- 5 ELECTIONS OR OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH FROM
- 6 PERFORMING HIS DUTY UNDER THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 7 MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO
- 8 PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND
- 9 (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN
- 10 [ONE (1) MONTH] <u>TWO (2) MONTHS</u> NOR MORE THAN [TWO (2)] <u>FOUR (4)</u>
- 11 YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 12 SECTION 1808. REFUSAL TO PERMIT ELECTION OFFICERS, CLERKS
- 13 AND MACHINE INSPECTORS TO ACT; DRIVING AWAY SAID PERSONS. -- ANY
- 14 PERSON, INCLUDING ANY ELECTION OFFICER, WHO SHALL REFUSE TO
- 15 PERMIT ANY ELECTION OFFICER, CLERK OR MACHINE INSPECTOR, DULY
- 16 ELECTED OR APPOINTED AND AUTHORIZED TO ACT, TO PERFORM THE
- 17 DUTIES IMPOSED ON HIM OR TO ACT AS PERMITTED BY THIS ACT; OR WHO
- 18 SHALL BY VIOLENCE OR INTIMIDATION THREATEN OR DRIVE AWAY, ANY
- 19 SUCH ELECTION OFFICER, CLERK OR MACHINE INSPECTOR OR WHO SHALL,
- 20 IN ANY MANNER, PREVENT ANY SUCH ELECTION OFFICER, CLERK OR
- 21 MACHINE INSPECTOR FROM PERFORMING HIS RIGHTS AND DUTIES UNDER
- 22 THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION
- 23 THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE
- 24 THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO
- 25 AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1) MONTH] TWO (2) MONTHS
- 26 OR MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 27 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 28 SECTION 1809. REFUSAL TO ADMINISTER OATH; ACTING WITHOUT
- 29 BEING SWORN.--IF ANY JUDGE OF ELECTION OR MINORITY INSPECTOR OF
- 30 ELECTION REFUSES OR FAILS TO ADMINISTER THE OATH TO THE OFFICERS

- 1 OF ELECTION, IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY THIS ACT, OR IF ANY JUDGE
- 2 OF ELECTION, INSPECTOR OF ELECTION, CLERK OF ELECTION, OR
- 3 MACHINE INSPECTOR, SHALL ACT WITHOUT BEING FIRST DULY SWORN, OR
- 4 IF ANY SUCH PERSON SHALL SIGN THE WRITTEN FORM OF OATH WITHOUT
- 5 BEING DULY SWORN, OR IF ANY JUDGE OF ELECTION OR MINORITY
- 6 INSPECTOR OF ELECTION OR ANY OTHER PERSON AUTHORIZED TO
- 7 ADMINISTER OATHS SHALL CERTIFY THAT ANY SUCH PERSON WAS SWORN
- 8 WHEN HE WAS NOT, HE SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON
- 9 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 10 EXCEEDING [ONE HUNDRED (\$100)] TWO HUNDRED (\$200) DOLLARS, OR TO
- 11 UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING [SIX (6) MONTHS] ONE (1)
- 12 YEAR, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 13 SECTION 1810. VIOLATION OF OATH OF OFFICE BY ELECTION
- 14 OFFICERS.--ANY JUDGE OF ELECTION, INSPECTOR OF ELECTION, CLERK
- 15 OF ELECTION, OR MACHINE INSPECTOR WHO SHALL WILFULLY VIOLATE ANY
- 16 OF THE PROVISIONS OF HIS OATH OF OFFICE, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 17 MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO
- 18 PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND
- 19 (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING
- 20 [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 21 COURT.
- 22 SECTION 1811. PEACE OFFICERS; FAILURE TO RENDER ASSISTANCE;
- 23 HINDERING OR DELAYING COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS AND OTHERS. -- ANY
- 24 SHERIFF, DEPUTY SHERIFF, CONSTABLE, DEPUTY CONSTABLE, POLICE OR
- 25 OTHER PEACE OFFICER, WHO SHALL FAIL UPON DEMAND OF ANY MEMBER OF
- 26 A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, JUDGE OR INSPECTOR OF ELECTION, OR
- 27 OVERSEER TO RENDER SUCH AID AND ASSISTANCE TO HIM AS HE SHALL
- 28 REQUEST IN THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE AND IN THE MAKING OF
- 29 ARRESTS, AS HEREIN PROVIDED, OR WHO SHALL WILFULLY HINDER OR
- 30 DELAY OR ATTEMPT TO HINDER OR DELAY ANY MEMBER OF A COUNTY

- 1 BOARD, JUDGE OR INSPECTOR OF ELECTION, OR OVERSEER IN THE
- 2 PERFORMANCE OF ANY DUTY UNDER THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 3 MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO
- 4 PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE HUNDRED (\$500)] ONE THOUSAND
- 5 <u>(\$1,000)</u> DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN
- 6 [THREE (3)] SIX (6) MONTHS NOR MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4)
- 7 YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 8 SECTION 1812. NOMINATION PETITIONS AND PAPERS; OFFENSES BY
- 9 SIGNERS.--IF ANY PERSON SHALL KNOWINGLY AND WILFULLY SIGN ANY
- 10 NOMINATION PETITION OR NOMINATION PAPER, WITHOUT HAVING THE
- 11 QUALIFICATIONS PRESCRIBED BY THIS ACT, OR IF ANY PERSON SHALL
- 12 SET OPPOSITE A SIGNATURE ON A NOMINATION PETITION OR PAPER, A
- 13 DATE OTHER THAN THE ACTUAL DATE SUCH SIGNATURE WAS AFFIXED
- 14 THERETO, OR IF ANY PERSON SHALL SET OPPOSITE THE SIGNATURE ON A
- 15 NOMINATION PETITION OR NOMINATION PAPER, A FALSE STATEMENT OF
- 16 THE SIGNER'S PLACE OF RESIDENCE OR OCCUPATION, OR IF ANY PERSON
- 17 SHALL SIGN MORE NOMINATION PETITIONS OR NOMINATION PAPERS THAN
- 18 PERMITTED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, HE SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 19 MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO
- 20 PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE HUNDRED (\$100)] TWO HUNDRED (\$200)
- 21 DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [THREE
- 22 (3)] <u>SIX (6)</u> MONTHS NOR MORE THAN [TWO (2)] <u>FOUR (4)</u> YEARS, OR
- 23 BOTH, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 24 SECTION 1813. FALSE SIGNATURES AND STATEMENTS IN NOMINATION
- 25 PETITIONS AND PAPERS. -- IF ANY PERSON SHALL KNOWINGLY MAKE A
- 26 FALSE STATEMENT IN ANY AFFIDAVIT REQUIRED BY THE PROVISIONS OF
- 27 THIS ACT, TO BE APPENDED TO OR TO ACCOMPANY A NOMINATION
- 28 PETITION OR A NOMINATION PAPER, OR IF ANY PERSON SHALL
- 29 FRAUDULENTLY SIGN ANY NAME NOT HIS OWN TO ANY NOMINATION
- 30 PETITION OR NOMINATION PAPER, OR IF ANY PERSON SHALL

- 1 FRAUDULENTLY ALTER ANY NOMINATION PETITION OR NOMINATION PAPER
- 2 WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE SIGNERS, HE SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 3 MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO
- 4 PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE HUNDRED (\$500)] ONE THOUSAND
- 5 (\$1,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN
- 6 [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 7 COURT.
- 8 SECTION 1814. NOMINATION PETITIONS; CERTIFICATES AND PAPERS;
- 9 DESTRUCTION; FRAUDULENT FILING; SUPPRESSION. -- ANY PERSON WHO
- 10 SHALL FALSELY MAKE ANY NOMINATION CERTIFICATE OR WHO SHALL
- 11 WILFULLY DEFACE OR DESTROY ANY NOMINATION PETITION, NOMINATION
- 12 CERTIFICATE OR NOMINATION PAPER, OR ANY PART THEREOF, OR ANY
- 13 LETTER OF WITHDRAWAL, OR WHO SHALL FILE ANY NOMINATION PETITION,
- 14 NOMINATION CERTIFICATE OR NOMINATION PAPER OR LETTER OF
- 15 WITHDRAWAL KNOWING THE SAME, OR ANY PART THEREOF, TO BE FALSELY
- 16 MADE, OR WHO SHALL SUPPRESS ANY NOMINATION PETITION, NOMINATION
- 17 CERTIFICATE OR NOMINATION PAPER, OR ANY PART THEREOF, WHICH HAS
- 18 BEEN DULY FILED, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON
- 19 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 20 EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS,
- 21 OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [ONE (1) YEAR]
- 22 TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 23 SECTION 1815. OFFENSES BY PRINTERS OF BALLOTS.--ANY PRINTER
- 24 EMPLOYED BY ANY COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO PRINT ANY OFFICIAL
- 25 BALLOTS, OR ANY PERSON ENGAGED IN PRINTING THE SAME WHO SHALL
- 26 APPROPRIATE TO HIMSELF OR GIVE OR DELIVER OR KNOWINGLY PERMIT TO
- 27 BE TAKEN ANY OF SAID BALLOTS BY ANY OTHER PERSON THAN SUCH
- 28 COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION OR THEIR DULY AUTHORIZED AGENT, OR WHO
- 29 SHALL WILFULLY PRINT OR CAUSE TO BE PRINTED ANY OFFICIAL BALLOT
- 30 IN ANY FORM OTHER THAN THAT PRESCRIBED BY SUCH COUNTY BOARD OR

- 1 WITH ANY OTHER NAMES OR PRINTING, OR WITH THE NAMES SPELLED
- 2 OTHERWISE THAN AS DIRECTED BY THEM OR THE NAMES OR PRINTING
- 3 THEREON ARRANGED IN ANY OTHER WAY THAN THAT AUTHORIZED AND
- 4 DIRECTED BY THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND,
- 5 UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 6 EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS,
- 7 OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [SIX (6) MONTHS]
- 8 ONE (1) YEAR NOR MORE THAN [FIVE (5)] TEN (10) YEARS, OR BOTH,
- 9 IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 10 SECTION 1816. UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF BALLOTS; COUNTERFEITING
- 11 BALLOTS.--ANY PERSON OTHER THAN AN OFFICER CHARGED BY LAW WITH
- 12 THE CARE OF BALLOTS, OR A PERSON ENTRUSTED BY ANY SUCH OFFICER
- 13 WITH THE CARE OF THE SAME FOR A PURPOSE REQUIRED BY LAW, WHO
- 14 SHALL HAVE IN HIS POSSESSION OUTSIDE THE POLLING PLACE ANY
- 15 OFFICIAL BALLOT, OR ANY PERSON WHO SHALL MAKE OR HAVE IN HIS
- 16 POSSESSION ANY COUNTERFEIT OF AN OFFICIAL BALLOT, SHALL BE
- 17 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR OF THE SECOND DEGREE, AND, UPON
- 18 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 19 EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000)] TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000)
- 20 DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [TWO
- 21 (2) FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 22 SECTION 1817. FORGING AND DESTROYING BALLOTS. -- ANY PERSON
- 23 WHO SHALL FORGE OR FALSELY MAKE THE OFFICIAL ENDORSEMENT ON ANY
- 24 BALLOT OR WILFULLY DESTROY OR DEFACE ANY BALLOT OR WILFULLY
- 25 DELAY THE DELIVERY OF ANY BALLOTS SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 26 MISDEMEANOR OF THE SECOND DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF,
- 27 SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND
- 28 (\$5,000)] <u>TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000)</u> DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 29 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH,
- 30 IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.

- 1 SECTION 1818. TAMPERING WITH VOTING MACHINES.--ANY ELECTION
- 2 OFFICER OR OTHER PERSON WHO SHALL UNLAWFULLY OPEN OR WHO SHALL
- 3 TAMPER WITH OR INJURE OR ATTEMPT TO INJURE ANY VOTING MACHINE TO
- $4\,$ BE USED OR BEING USED AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, OR WHO SHALL
- 5 PREVENT OR ATTEMPT TO PREVENT THE CORRECT OPERATION OF SUCH
- 6 MACHINE, OR ANY UNAUTHORIZED PERSON WHO SHALL MAKE OR HAVE IN
- 7 HIS POSSESSION A KEY TO A VOTING MACHINE TO BE USED OR BEING
- 8 USED IN ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 9 MISDEMEANOR OF THE SECOND DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF,
- 10 SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND
- 11 (\$5,000)] <u>TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000)</u> DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 12 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH,
- 13 IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 14 SECTION 1819. DESTROYING, DEFACING OR REMOVING NOTICES, ET
- 15 CETERA. -- ANY PERSON WHO SHALL, PRIOR TO ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION,
- 16 WILFULLY DEFACE, REMOVE OR DESTROY ANY NOTICE OR LIST OF
- 17 CANDIDATES POSTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT,
- 18 OR WHO, DURING ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, SHALL WILFULLY DEFACE,
- 19 TEAR DOWN, REMOVE OR DESTROY ANY CARD OF INSTRUCTIONS, NOTICE OF
- 20 PENALTIES, SPECIMEN BALLOT OR DIAGRAM PRINTED OR POSTED FOR THE
- 21 INSTRUCTION OF ELECTORS, OR WHO SHALL, DURING ANY PRIMARY OR
- 22 ELECTION, WILFULLY REMOVE OR DESTROY ANY OF THE SUPPLIES OR
- 23 CONVENIENCES FURNISHED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO ANY
- 24 POLLING PLACE IN ORDER TO ENABLE ELECTORS TO VOTE, OR THE
- 25 ELECTION OFFICERS TO PERFORM THEIR DUTIES, OR WHO SHALL WILFULLY
- 26 HINDER THE VOTING OF OTHERS, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR,
- 27 AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE
- 28 NOT EXCEEDING [ONE HUNDRED (\$100)] TWO HUNDRED (\$200) DOLLARS,
- 29 OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [THREE (3)] SIX
- 30 $\underline{(6)}$ MONTHS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.

- 1 SECTION 1820. POLICE OFFICERS AT POLLING PLACES.--ANY POLICE
- 2 OFFICER IN COMMISSION, WHETHER IN UNIFORM OR IN CITIZEN'S
- 3 CLOTHES, WHO SHALL BE WITHIN ONE HUNDRED (100) FEET OF A POLLING
- 4 PLACE DURING THE CONDUCT OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, EXCEPT IN
- 5 THE EXERCISE OF HIS PRIVILEGE OF VOTING OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF
- 6 SERVING WARRANTS, OR IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE
- 7 EXCEPTION SET FORTH IN SECTION 1207 OF THIS ACT WHERE THE POLICE
- 8 STATION OR HEADQUARTERS IS LOCATED IN THE SAME BUILDING OR ON
- 9 THE PREMISES WHERE THE POLLING PLACE IS LOCATED OR UNLESS CALLED
- 10 UPON TO PRESERVE THE PEACE, AS PROVIDED BY THIS ACT, SHALL BE
- 11 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE
- 12 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE HUNDRED (\$500)] ONE
- 13 THOUSAND (\$1,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT
- 14 MORE THAN [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 15 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 16 SECTION 1821. PEACE OFFICER; FAILURE TO QUELL DISTURBANCES
- 17 AT POLLS; HINDERING OR DELAYING ELECTION OFFICERS AND OTHERS.--
- 18 ANY MAYOR, CHIEF BURGESS, SHERIFF, DEPUTY SHERIFF, CONSTABLE,
- 19 DEPUTY CONSTABLE, POLICE OFFICER OR OTHER PEACE OFFICER WHO
- 20 SHALL NEGLECT OR REFUSE TO CLEAR AN AVENUE TO THE DOOR OF ANY
- 21 POLLING PLACE WHICH IS OBSTRUCTED IN SUCH A WAY AS TO PREVENT
- 22 ELECTORS FROM APPROACHING, OR WHO SHALL NEGLECT OR REFUSE TO
- 23 MAINTAIN ORDER AND QUELL ANY DISTURBANCE IF SUCH ARISES AT ANY
- 24 POLLING PLACE UPON THE DAY OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, WHEN
- 25 CALLED UPON SO TO DO BY ANY ELECTION OFFICER OR ANY THREE
- 26 QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE ELECTION DISTRICT, OR WHO SHALL
- 27 WILFULLY HINDER OR DELAY, OR ATTEMPT TO HINDER OR DELAY, ANY
- 28 JUDGE, INSPECTOR OR CLERK OF ELECTION, MACHINE INSPECTOR OR
- 29 OVERSEER IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ANY DUTY UNDER THIS ACT, SHALL BE
- 30 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR IN OFFICE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF,

- 1 SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND
- 2 (\$1,000)] <u>TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000)</u> DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 3 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR
- 4 BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 5 SECTION 1823. ELECTION OFFICERS PERMITTING UNREGISTERED
- 6 ELECTORS TO VOTE; CHALLENGES; REFUSING TO PERMIT QUALIFIED
- 7 ELECTORS TO VOTE. -- ANY JUDGE OR INSPECTOR OF ELECTION WHO
- 8 PERMITS ANY PERSON TO VOTE AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION WHO IS NOT
- 9 REGISTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW, EXCEPT A PERSON IN ACTUAL
- 10 MILITARY SERVICE OR A PERSON AS TO WHOM A COURT OF COMPETENT
- 11 JURISDICTION HAS ORDERED THAT HE SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE, OR
- 12 WHO PERMITS ANY REGISTERED ELECTOR TO VOTE KNOWING THAT SUCH
- 13 REGISTERED ELECTOR IS NOT QUALIFIED TO VOTE, WHETHER OR NOT SUCH
- 14 PERSON HAS BEEN CHALLENGED, OR WHO PERMITS ANY PERSON WHO HAS
- 15 BEEN LAWFULLY CHALLENGED TO VOTE AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION
- 16 WITHOUT REQUIRING THE PROOF OF THE RIGHT OF SUCH PERSON TO VOTE
- 17 WHICH IS REQUIRED BY LAW, OR WHO REFUSES TO PERMIT ANY DULY
- 18 REGISTERED AND QUALIFIED ELECTOR TO VOTE AT ANY PRIMARY OR
- 19 ELECTION, WITH THE KNOWLEDGE THAT SUCH ELECTOR IS ENTITLED TO
- 20 VOTE, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE THIRD DEGREE, AND, UPON
- 21 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 22 EXCEEDING [FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000)] THIRTY THOUSAND (\$30,000)
- 23 DOLLARS, AND TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [SEVEN
- 24 (7)] <u>FOURTEEN (14)</u> YEARS, OR BOTH.
- 25 SECTION 1824. ELECTION OFFICERS REFUSING TO PERMIT ELECTOR
- 26 TO VOTE IN PROPER PARTY AT PRIMARIES. -- ANY JUDGE, INSPECTOR OR
- 27 CLERK OF ELECTION WHO REFUSES TO PERMIT AN ELECTOR AT ANY
- 28 PRIMARY AT WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED TO RECEIVE THE BALLOT OF THE
- 29 PARTY WITH WHICH HE IS ENROLLED, OR WHO GIVES TO ANY SUCH
- 30 ELECTOR THE BALLOT OF ANY PARTY IN WHICH HE IS NOT ENROLLED, OR

- 1 ANY JUDGE, OR INSPECTOR OF ELECTION, OR MACHINE INSPECTOR WHO,
- 2 AT ANY PRIMARY AT WHICH VOTING MACHINES ARE USED, ADJUSTS ANY
- 3 VOTING MACHINE ABOUT TO BE USED BY AN ELECTOR SO AS NOT TO
- 4 PERMIT HIM TO VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATES OF THE PARTY IN WHICH HE
- 5 IS ENROLLED, OR SO AS TO PERMIT HIM TO VOTE FOR THE CANDIDATES
- 6 OF ANY PARTY IN WHICH HE IS NOT ENROLLED, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 7 MISDEMEANOR OF THE FIRST DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF,
- 8 SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [TEN THOUSAND
- 9 (\$10,000)] TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 10 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [FIVE (5)] TEN (10) YEARS, OR
- 11 BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 12 SECTION 1825. FRAUDS BY ELECTION OFFICERS.--ANY JUDGE,
- 13 INSPECTOR OR CLERK OF ELECTION OR MACHINE INSPECTOR WHO SHALL BE
- 14 GUILTY OF ANY WILFUL FRAUD IN THE CONDUCT OF HIS DUTIES AT A
- 15 PRIMARY OR ELECTION, AND ANY PERSON WHO SHALL MAKE A FALSE
- 16 RETURN OF THE VOTES CAST AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, OR WHO
- 17 SHALL DEPOSIT FRAUDULENT BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT BOX OR CERTIFY AS
- 18 CORRECT A RETURN OF BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT BOX WHICH HE KNOWS TO
- 19 BE FRAUDULENT, OR WHO SHALL REGISTER FRAUDULENT VOTES UPON ANY
- 20 VOTING MACHINE OR CERTIFY AS CORRECT A RETURN OF VOTES CAST UPON
- 21 ANY VOTING MACHINE WHICH HE KNOWS TO BE FRAUDULENTLY REGISTERED
- 22 THEREON, OR WHO SHALL MAKE ANY FALSE ENTRIES IN THE DISTRICT
- 23 REGISTER, OR WHO SHALL FAIL TO INSERT IN THE VOTING CHECK LIST
- 24 THE VOTER'S CERTIFICATE OF ANY ELECTOR ACTUALLY VOTING AT ANY
- 25 PRIMARY OR ELECTION, OR WHO SHALL FAIL TO RECORD VOTING
- 26 INFORMATION AS REQUIRED HEREIN, OR WHO SHALL FAIL TO INSERT IN
- 27 THE NUMBERED LISTS OF VOTERS THE NAME OF ANY PERSON ACTUALLY
- 28 VOTING, OR WHO SHALL WILFULLY DESTROY OR ALTER ANY BALLOT,
- 29 VOTER'S CERTIFICATE, OR REGISTRATION CARD CONTAINED IN ANY
- 30 DISTRICT REGISTER, OR WHO SHALL WILFULLY TAMPER WITH ANY VOTING

- 1 MACHINE, OR WHO SHALL PREPARE OR INSERT IN THE VOTING CHECK LIST
- 2 ANY FALSE VOTER'S CERTIFICATES NOT PREPARED BY OR FOR AN ELECTOR
- 3 ACTUALLY VOTING AT SUCH PRIMARY OR ELECTION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF
- 4 CONCEALING THE DESTRUCTION OR REMOVAL OF ANY VOTER'S
- 5 CERTIFICATE, OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONCEALING THE DEPOSIT OF
- 6 FRAUDULENT BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT BOX, OR THE REGISTERING OF
- 7 FRAUDULENT VOTES UPON ANY VOTING MACHINE OR OF AIDING IN THE
- 8 PERPETRATION OF ANY SUCH FRAUD, OR WHO SHALL FAIL TO RETURN TO
- 9 THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTION FOLLOWING ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION
- 10 ANY KEYS OF A VOTING MACHINE, BALLOT BOX, GENERAL OR DUPLICATE
- 11 RETURN SHEET, TALLY PAPER, OATHS OF ELECTION OFFICERS,
- 12 AFFIDAVITS OF ELECTORS AND OTHERS, RECORD OF ASSISTED VOTERS,
- 13 NUMBERED LIST OF VOTERS, DISTRICT REGISTER, VOTING CHECK LIST,
- 14 UNUSED, SPOILED AND CANCELLED BALLOTS, BALLOTS DEPOSITED,
- 15 WRITTEN OR AFFIXED IN OR UPON A VOTING MACHINE, OR ANY
- 16 CERTIFICATE, OR ANY OTHER PAPER OR RECORD REQUIRED TO BE
- 17 RETURNED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT; OR WHO SHALL CONSPIRE
- 18 WITH OTHERS TO COMMIT ANY OF THE OFFENSES HEREIN MENTIONED, OR
- 19 IN ANY MANNER TO PREVENT A FREE AND FAIR PRIMARY OR ELECTION,
- 20 SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE THIRD DEGREE, AND, UPON
- 21 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 22 EXCEEDING [FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000)] THIRTY THOUSAND (\$30,000)
- 23 DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [SEVEN
- 24 (7)] FOURTEEN (14) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 25 COURT.
- 26 SECTION 1827. INTERFERENCE WITH PRIMARIES AND ELECTIONS;
- 27 FRAUDS; CONSPIRACY.--IF ANY PERSON SHALL PREVENT OR ATTEMPT TO
- 28 PREVENT ANY ELECTION OFFICERS FROM HOLDING ANY PRIMARY OR
- 29 ELECTION, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, OR SHALL USE OR
- 30 THREATEN ANY VIOLENCE TO ANY SUCH OFFICER; OR SHALL INTERRUPT OR

- 1 IMPROPERLY INTERFERE WITH HIM IN THE EXECUTION OF HIS DUTY; OR
- 2 SHALL BLOCK UP OR ATTEMPT TO BLOCK UP THE AVENUE TO THE DOOR OF
- 3 ANY POLLING PLACE; OR SHALL USE OR PRACTICE ANY INTIMIDATION,
- 4 THREATS, FORCE OR VIOLENCE WITH DESIGN TO INFLUENCE UNDULY OR
- 5 OVERAWE ANY ELECTOR, OR TO PREVENT HIM FROM VOTING OR RESTRAIN
- 6 HIS FREEDOM OF CHOICE; OR SHALL PREPARE OR PRESENT TO ANY
- 7 ELECTION OFFICER A FRAUDULENT VOTER'S CERTIFICATE NOT SIGNED IN
- 8 THE POLLING PLACE BY THE ELECTOR WHOSE CERTIFICATE IT PURPORTS
- 9 TO BE; OR SHALL DEPOSIT FRAUDULENT BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT BOX; OR
- 10 SHALL REGISTER FRAUDULENT VOTES UPON ANY VOTING MACHINE; OR
- 11 SHALL TAMPER WITH ANY DISTRICT REGISTER, VOTING CHECK LIST,
- 12 NUMBERED LISTS OF VOTERS, BALLOT BOX OR VOTING MACHINE; OR SHALL
- 13 CONSPIRE WITH OTHERS TO COMMIT ANY OF THE OFFENSES HEREIN
- 14 MENTIONED, OR IN ANY MANNER TO PREVENT A FREE AND FAIR PRIMARY
- 15 OR ELECTION, HE SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE THIRD DEGREE,
- 16 AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE
- 17 NOT EXCEEDING [FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000)] TWENTY THOUSAND
- 18 (\$20,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE
- 19 THAN [SEVEN (7)] FOURTEEN (14) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION
- 20 OF THE COURT.
- 21 SECTION 1828. PERSONS INTERFERING IN OTHER DISTRICTS.--ANY
- 22 PERSON WHO SHALL ON THE DAY OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION VISIT ANY
- 23 POLLING PLACE AT WHICH HE IS NOT ENTITLED TO VOTE AND AT WHICH
- 24 HE IS NOT ENTITLED TO BE PRESENT UNDER ANY PROVISION OF THIS
- 25 ACT, AND SHALL USE ANY INTIMIDATION OR VIOLENCE FOR THE PURPOSE
- 26 OF PREVENTING ANY ELECTION OFFICER FROM PERFORMING THE DUTIES
- 27 REQUIRED OF HIM BY THIS ACT, OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF PREVENTING
- 28 ANY QUALIFIED ELECTOR FROM EXERCISING HIS RIGHT TO VOTE OR FROM
- 29 EXERCISING HIS RIGHT TO CHALLENGE ANY PERSON OFFERING TO VOTE,
- 30 OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF INFLUENCING THE VOTE OF ANY ELECTOR, HE

- 1 SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE THIRD DEGREE, AND, UPON
- 2 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 3 EXCEEDING [FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000)] THIRTY THOUSAND (\$30,000)
- 4 DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [SEVEN
- 5 (7) FOURTEEN (14) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 6 COURT.
- 7 SECTION 1829. ASSAULT AND BATTERY AT POLLS.--ANY PERSON WHO
- 8 SHALL UNLAWFULLY STRIKE, WOUND OR COMMIT AN ASSAULT AND BATTERY
- 9 UPON THE PERSON OF ANY ELECTOR AT OR NEAR THE POLLING PLACE
- 10 DURING THE TIME OF ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 11 MISDEMEANOR OF THE FIRST DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF,
- 12 SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [TEN THOUSAND
- 13 (\$10,000)] TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 14 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [FIVE (5)] TEN (10) YEARS, OR
- 15 BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 16 SECTION 1830. UNLAWFUL ASSISTANCE IN VOTING.--ANY ELECTOR AT
- 17 ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION WHO SHALL ALLOW HIS BALLOT OR THE FACE
- 18 OF THE VOTING MACHINE VOTED BY HIM TO BE SEEN BY ANY PERSON WITH
- 19 THE APPARENT INTENTION OF LETTING IT BE KNOWN HOW HE IS ABOUT TO
- 20 VOTE; OR IN DISTRICTS IN WHICH BALLOTS ARE USED, SHALL CAST OR
- 21 ATTEMPT TO CAST ANY OTHER THAN THE OFFICIAL BALLOT WHICH HAS
- 22 BEEN GIVEN TO HIM BY THE PROPER ELECTION OFFICER; OR WHO,
- 23 WITHOUT HAVING MADE THE DECLARATION UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION
- 24 REQUIRED BY SECTION 1218 OF THIS ACT, OR WHEN THE DISABILITY
- 25 WHICH HE DECLARED BEFORE ANY REGISTRATION COMMISSION NO LONGER
- 26 EXISTS, SHALL PERMIT ANOTHER TO ACCOMPANY HIM INTO THE VOTING
- 27 COMPARTMENT OR VOTING MACHINE BOOTH, OR TO MARK HIS BALLOT OR
- 28 PREPARE THE VOTING MACHINE FOR VOTING BY HIM; OR WHO SHALL MARK
- 29 HIS BALLOT OR PREPARE THE VOTING MACHINE FOR VOTING WHILE
- 30 ANOTHER IS UNLAWFULLY PRESENT IN THE VOTING MACHINE COMPARTMENT

- 1 OR VOTING MACHINE BOOTH WITH HIM; OR WHO SHALL STATE FALSELY TO
- 2 ANY ELECTION OFFICER THAT BECAUSE OF ILLITERACY HE IS UNABLE TO
- 3 READ THE NAMES ON THE BALLOT OR BALLOT LABELS OR THAT BY REASON
- 4 OF PHYSICAL DISABILITY HE CANNOT SEE OR MARK THE BALLOT OR ENTER
- 5 THE VOTING COMPARTMENT WITHOUT ASSISTANCE OR THAT HE CANNOT SEE
- 6 OR OPERATE THE VOTING MACHINE OR ENTER THE VOTING MACHINE BOOTH
- 7 WITHOUT ASSISTANCE; OR WHO SHALL STATE, AS HIS REASON FOR
- 8 REQUIRING ASSISTANCE, A DISABILITY FROM WHICH HE DOES NOT
- 9 SUFFER; OR ANY PERSON WHO SHALL GO INTO THE VOTING COMPARTMENT
- 10 OR VOTING MACHINE BOOTH WITH ANOTHER WHILE VOTING OR BE PRESENT
- 11 THEREIN WHILE ANOTHER IS VOTING, OR MARK THE BALLOT OF ANOTHER
- 12 OR PREPARE THE VOTING MACHINE FOR VOTING WITH ANOTHER, EXCEPT IN
- 13 STRICT ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT; OR ANY PERSON
- 14 WHO SHALL INTERFERE WITH ANY ELECTOR WHEN INSIDE THE ENCLOSED
- 15 SPACE OR WHEN MARKING HIS BALLOT, OR PREPARING THE VOTING
- 16 MACHINE FOR VOTING, OR WHO SHALL ENDEAVOR TO INDUCE ANY ELECTOR
- 17 BEFORE DEPOSITING HIS BALLOT TO SHOW HOW HE MARKS OR HAS MARKED
- 18 HIS BALLOT; OR ANY PERSON GIVING ASSISTANCE WHO SHALL ATTEMPT TO
- 19 INFLUENCE THE VOTE OF THE ELECTOR WHOM HE IS ASSISTING OR WHO
- 20 SHALL MARK A BALLOT OR PREPARE A VOTING MACHINE FOR VOTING IN
- 21 ANY OTHER WAY THAN THAT REQUESTED BY THE VOTER WHOM HE IS
- 22 ASSISTING, OR WHO SHALL DISCLOSE TO ANYONE THE CONTENTS OF ANY
- 23 BALLOT WHICH HAS BEEN MARKED OR ANY VOTING MACHINE WHICH HAS
- 24 BEEN PREPARED FOR VOTING WITH HIS ASSISTANCE, EXCEPT WHEN
- 25 REQUIRED TO DO SO IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A
- 26 MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO
- 27 PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND
- 28 (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN
- 29 [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 30 COURT.

- 1 SECTION 1831. ELECTION OFFICERS PERMITTING UNLAWFUL
- 2 ASSISTANCE. -- ANY ELECTION OFFICER WHO SHALL PERMIT A VOTER TO BE
- 3 ACCOMPANIED BY ANOTHER INTO THE VOTING COMPARTMENT OR VOTING
- 4 MACHINE BOOTH WHEN THE REGISTRATION CARD OF SUCH PERSON CONTAINS
- 5 NO DECLARATION THAT SUCH PERSON REQUIRES ASSISTANCE, OR WHEN
- 6 SUCH PERSON HAS NOT MADE, UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION, THE
- 7 STATEMENT REQUIRED BY SECTION 1218 OF THIS ACT, OR WHEN SUCH
- 8 ELECTION OFFICER KNOWS THAT THE DISABILITY WHICH THE ELECTOR
- 9 DECLARED BEFORE ANY REGISTRATION COMMISSION NO LONGER EXISTS, OR
- 10 WHO SHALL PERMIT ANY PERSON TO ACCOMPANY AN ELECTOR INTO THE
- 11 VOTING COMPARTMENT OR VOTING MACHINE BOOTH, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED
- 12 BY THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON
- 13 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 14 EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS,
- 15 OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [ONE (1) YEAR]
- 16 TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 17 SECTION 1832. FAILURE TO KEEP AND RETURN RECORD OF ASSISTED
- 18 VOTERS. -- ANY JUDGE OF ELECTION WHO SHALL FAIL TO RECORD, AS
- 19 REQUIRED BY SECTION 1218 (C) OF THIS ACT, THE NAME OF EACH
- 20 ELECTOR WHO RECEIVED ASSISTANCE OR WHO IS ACCOMPANIED BY ANOTHER
- 21 INTO THE VOTING COMPARTMENT OR VOTING MACHINE BOOTH; OR WHO
- 22 SHALL INSERT IN THE RECORD OF ASSISTED VOTERS THE NAME OF ANY
- 23 ELECTOR WHO DOES NOT RECEIVE ASSISTANCE OR IS NOT ACCOMPANIED BY
- 24 ANOTHER INTO THE VOTING COMPARTMENT OR VOTING MACHINE BOOTH; OR
- 25 WHO SHALL FAIL TO RECORD THE EXACT DISABILITY OF ANY ASSISTED
- 26 ELECTOR WHICH MAKES THE ASSISTANCE NECESSARY, OR SHALL RECORD IN
- 27 RESPECT OF ANY ASSISTED ELECTOR A DISABILITY, OTHER THAN THAT
- 28 STATED BY THE ELECTOR; OR WHO SHALL FAIL TO RECORD THE NAME OF
- 29 EACH PERSON RENDERING ASSISTANCE TO AN ELECTOR AS PRESCRIBED BY
- 30 THIS ACT; OR WHO SHALL KNOWINGLY RECORD AS THE NAME OF SUCH

- 1 PERSON GIVING ASSISTANCE A NAME WHICH IS NOT THE NAME OF SUCH
- 2 PERSON; OR WHO SHALL FAIL OR NEGLECT TO RETURN THE RECORD OF
- 3 ASSISTED VOTERS TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AS REQUIRED BY
- 4 THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION
- 5 THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE
- 6 THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO
- 7 AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) MONTHS NOR
- 8 MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION
- 9 OF THE COURT.
- 10 SECTION 1833. UNLAWFUL VOTING.--ANY PERSON WHO VOTES OR
- 11 ATTEMPTS TO VOTE AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, KNOWING THAT HE
- 12 DOES NOT POSSESS ALL THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN ELECTOR AT SUCH
- 13 PRIMARY OR ELECTION, AS SET FORTH IN THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY
- 14 OF A MISDEMEANOR OF THE FIRST DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION
- 15 THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [TEN
- 16 THOUSAND (\$10,000)] TWENTY THOUSAND (\$20,000) DOLLARS, OR TO
- 17 UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [FIVE (5)] TEN (10)
- 18 YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 19 SECTION 1834. ELECTOR VOTING BALLOT OF WRONG PARTY AT
- 20 PRIMARY.--ANY ELECTOR WHO SHALL WILFULLY VOTE AT ANY PRIMARY THE
- 21 BALLOT OF A PARTY IN WHICH HE IS NOT ENROLLED, IN VIOLATION OF
- 22 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR OF
- 23 THE SECOND DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE
- 24 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000)]
- 25 TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF
- 26 NOT MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 27 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 28 SECTION 1835. REPEAT VOTING AT ELECTIONS.--IF ANY PERSON
- 29 SHALL VOTE IN MORE THAN ONE ELECTION DISTRICT, OR OTHERWISE
- 30 FRAUDULENTLY VOTE MORE THAN ONCE AT THE SAME PRIMARY OR

- 1 ELECTION, OR SHALL VOTE A BALLOT OTHER THAN THE BALLOT ISSUED TO
- 2 HIM BY THE ELECTION OFFICERS, OR SHALL ADVISE OR PROCURE ANOTHER
- 3 SO TO DO, HE SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE THIRD DEGREE,
- 4 AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE
- 5 NOT EXCEEDING [FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000)] THIRTY THOUSAND
- 6 (\$30,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE
- 7 THAN [SEVEN (7)] FOURTEEN (14) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION
- 8 OF THE COURT.
- 9 SECTION 1836. REMOVING BALLOTS.--ANY PERSON REMOVING ANY
- 10 BALLOT FROM ANY BOOK OF OFFICIAL BALLOTS, EXCEPT IN THE MANNER
- 11 PROVIDED BY THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR OF THE
- 12 SECOND DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED
- 13 TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000)] TEN
- 14 THOUSAND (\$10,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT
- 15 MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION
- 16 OF THE COURT.
- 17 SECTION 1837. COMMISSIONERS TO TAKE SOLDIERS' VOTES.--ANY
- 18 COMMISSIONER APPOINTED BY OR UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE
- 19 XIII OF THIS ACT WHO SHALL KNOWINGLY VIOLATE HIS DUTY OR
- 20 KNOWINGLY OMIT OR FAIL TO DO HIS DUTY THEREUNDER OR VIOLATE ANY
- 21 PART OF HIS OATH, SHALL BE GUILTY OF PERJURY, AND, UPON
- 22 CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT
- 23 EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS,
- 24 OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [ONE (1) YEAR]
- 25 TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 26 SECTION 1838. FRAUDULENT VOTING BY SOLDIERS.--ANY PERSON WHO
- 27 SHALL VOTE OR ATTEMPT TO VOTE AT ANY ELECTION BY ELECTORS IN
- 28 MILITARY SERVICE UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XIII OF THIS
- 29 ACT, NOT BEING QUALIFIED TO VOTE AT SUCH ELECTION, SHALL BE
- 30 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE

- 1 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)]
- 2 TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF
- 3 NOT MORE THAN [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 4 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 5 SECTION 1839. BRIBERY AT ELECTIONS. -- ANY PERSON WHO SHALL,
- 6 DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, GIVE OR PROMISE OR OFFER TO GIVE ANY
- 7 GIFT OR REWARD IN MONEY, GOODS OR OTHER VALUABLE THING TO ANY
- 8 PERSON, WITH INTENT TO INDUCE HIM TO VOTE OR REFRAIN FROM VOTING
- 9 FOR ANY PARTICULAR CANDIDATE OR CANDIDATES OR FOR OR AGAINST ANY
- 10 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT OR OTHER QUESTION AT ANY PRIMARY OR
- 11 ELECTION; OR WHO SHALL, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, PROCURE FOR OR
- 12 OFFER OR PROMISE TO PROCURE FOR SUCH PERSON ANY SUCH GIFT OR
- 13 REWARD WITH THE INTENT AFORESAID; OR, WHO WITH THE INTENT TO
- 14 INFLUENCE OR INTIMIDATE SUCH PERSON TO GIVE HIS VOTE OR TO
- 15 REFRAIN FROM GIVING HIS VOTE FOR ANY PARTICULAR CANDIDATE OR
- 16 CANDIDATES OR FOR OR AGAINST ANY CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT OR
- 17 OTHER QUESTION AT ANY PRIMARY OR ELECTION, SHALL GIVE TO OR
- 18 OBTAIN FOR OR ASSIST IN OBTAINING FOR OR OFFER OR PROMISE TO
- 19 GIVE TO OR OBTAIN FOR OR ASSIST IN OBTAINING FOR SUCH PERSON ANY
- 20 OFFICE, PLACE, APPOINTMENT OR EMPLOYMENT, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, OR
- 21 THREATEN SUCH PERSON WITH DISMISSAL OR DISCHARGE FROM ANY
- 22 OFFICE, PLACE, APPOINTMENT OR EMPLOYMENT, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE,
- 23 THEN HELD BY HIM, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE THIRD
- 24 DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY
- 25 A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000)] THIRTY
- 26 THOUSAND (\$30,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT
- 27 MORE THAN [SEVEN (7)] FOURTEEN (14) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE
- 28 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 29 SECTION 1840. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF PRIMARY AND
- 30 ELECTION EXPENSES BY PERSONS OTHER THAN CANDIDATES AND

- 1 TREASURERS. -- ANY MEMBER OF A POLITICAL COMMITTEE WHO SHALL
- 2 RECEIVE OR DISBURSE ANY MONEY OR INCUR ANY LIABILITY FOR PRIMARY
- 3 OR ELECTION EXPENSES, EXCEPT THROUGH THE TREASURER OF SUCH
- 4 POLITICAL COMMITTEE, AND ANY PERSON NOT A CANDIDATE OR MEMBER OF
- 5 A POLITICAL COMMITTEE WHO SHALL RECEIVE OR DISBURSE ANY MONEY OR
- 6 INCUR ANY LIABILITY FOR PRIMARY OR ELECTION EXPENSES, SHALL BE
- 7 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE
- 8 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)]
- 9 TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF
- 10 NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1) MONTH] TWO (2) MONTHS NOR MORE THAN [TWO
- 11 (2) FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 12 SECTION 1841. RECEIPTS OF PRIMARY AND ELECTION EXPENSES BY
- 13 UNAUTHORIZED PERSONS. -- ANY PERSON OR ANY POLITICAL COMMITTEE WHO
- 14 RECEIVES MONEY ON BEHALF OF ANY CANDIDATE WITHOUT BEING
- 15 AUTHORIZED TO DO SO UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1623, SHALL
- 16 BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL
- 17 BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS
- 18 (\$5,000)] <u>TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000)</u>, OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 19 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1) MONTH] TWO (2) MONTHS NOR
- 20 MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION
- 21 OF THE COURT.
- 22 SECTION 1843. CONTRIBUTIONS BY CORPORATIONS OR
- 23 UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATIONS. -- ANY CORPORATION OR UNINCORPORATED
- 24 ASSOCIATION, WHICH SHALL PAY, GIVE OR LEND OR AGREE TO PAY, GIVE
- 25 OR LEND ANY MONEY BELONGING TO SUCH CORPORATION OR
- 26 UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION OR IN ITS CUSTODY OR CONTROL, IN
- 27 VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1633, SHALL BE GUILTY OF
- 28 A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED
- 29 TO PAY A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000)]
- 30 TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000) NOR MORE THAN [TEN THOUSAND

- 1 DOLLARS (\$10,000)] TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000). ANY
- 2 DIRECTOR, OFFICER, AGENT OR EMPLOYE OF ANY CORPORATION OR
- 3 UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION WHO SHALL ON BEHALF OF SUCH
- 4 CORPORATION OR UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION PAY, GIVE OR LEND OR
- 5 AUTHORIZE TO BE PAID, GIVEN OR LENT ANY MONEY BELONGING TO SUCH
- 6 CORPORATION OR UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION OR IN ITS CUSTODY OR
- 7 CONTROL IN VIOLATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 1633, SHALL BE
- 8 GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE
- 9 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS
- 10 (\$10,000)] TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000), OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 11 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1) MONTH] TWO (2) MONTHS NOR
- 12 MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION
- 13 OF THE COURT.
- 14 SECTION 1845. FAILURE TO FILE EXPENSE ACCOUNT.--ANY
- 15 CANDIDATE OR TREASURER OF A POLITICAL COMMITTEE OR PERSON ACTING
- 16 AS SUCH TREASURER WHO SHALL FAIL TO FILE AN ACCOUNT OF PRIMARY
- 17 OR ELECTION EXPENSES, AS REQUIRED BY THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY
- 18 OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE
- 19 SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS
- 20 (\$5,000)] TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,000), OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 21 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT LESS THAN [ONE (1) MONTH] TWO (2) MONTHS NOR
- 22 MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION
- 23 OF THE COURT.
- 24 SECTION 1847. PROHIBITING DURESS AND INTIMIDATION OF VOTERS
- 25 AND INTERFERENCE WITH THE FREE EXERCISE OF THE ELECTIVE
- 26 FRANCHISE. -- ANY PERSON OR CORPORATION WHO, DIRECTLY OR
- 27 INDIRECTLY--(A) USES OR THREATENS TO USE ANY FORCE, VIOLENCE OR
- 28 RESTRAINT, OR INFLICTS OR THREATENS TO INFLICT ANY INJURY,
- 29 DAMAGE, HARM OR LOSS, OR IN ANY OTHER MANNER PRACTICES
- 30 INTIMIDATION OR COERCION UPON OR AGAINST ANY PERSON, IN ORDER TO

- 1 INDUCE OR COMPEL SUCH PERSON TO VOTE OR REFRAIN FROM VOTING AT
- 2 ANY ELECTION, OR TO VOTE OR REFRAIN FROM VOTING FOR OR AGAINST
- 3 ANY PARTICULAR PERSON, OR FOR OR AGAINST ANY OUESTION SUBMITTED
- 4 TO VOTERS AT SUCH ELECTION, OR TO PLACE OR CAUSE TO BE PLACED OR
- 5 REFRAIN FROM PLACING OR CAUSING TO BE PLACED HIS NAME UPON A
- 6 REGISTER OF VOTERS, OR ON ACCOUNT OF SUCH PERSON HAVING VOTED OR
- 7 REFRAINED FROM VOTING AT SUCH ELECTION, OR HAVING VOTED OR
- 8 REFRAINED FROM VOTING FOR OR AGAINST ANY PARTICULAR PERSON OR
- 9 PERSONS OR FOR OR AGAINST ANY QUESTION SUBMITTED TO VOTERS AT
- 10 SUCH ELECTION, OR HAVING REGISTERED OR REFRAINED FROM
- 11 REGISTERING AS A VOTER; OR (B) BY ABDUCTION, DURESS OR COERCION,
- 12 OR ANY FORCIBLE OR FRAUDULENT DEVICE OR CONTRIVANCE, WHATEVER,
- 13 IMPEDES, PREVENTS, OR OTHERWISE INTERFERES WITH THE FREE
- 14 EXERCISE OF THE ELECTIVE FRANCHISE BY ANY VOTER, OR COMPELS,
- 15 INDUCES, OR PREVAILS UPON ANY VOTER TO GIVE OR REFRAIN FROM
- 16 GIVING HIS VOTE FOR OR AGAINST ANY PARTICULAR PERSON AT ANY
- 17 ELECTION; OR (C) BEING AN EMPLOYER, PAYS HIS EMPLOYES THE SALARY
- 18 OR WAGES DUE IN "PAY ENVELOPES" UPON WHICH OR IN WHICH THERE IS
- 19 WRITTEN OR PRINTED ANY POLITICAL MOTTO, DEVICE, STATEMENT OR
- 20 ARGUMENT CONTAINING THREATS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INTENDED OR
- 21 CALCULATED TO INFLUENCE THE POLITICAL OPINIONS OR ACTIONS OF
- 22 SUCH EMPLOYES, OR WITHIN NINETY DAYS OF ANY ELECTION OR PRIMARY
- 23 PUTS OR OTHERWISE EXHIBITS IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OR PLACE WHERE
- 24 HIS EMPLOYES ARE ENGAGED IN LABOR, ANY HANDBILL OR PLACARD
- 25 CONTAINING ANY THREAT, NOTICE, OR INFORMATION THAT IF ANY
- 26 PARTICULAR TICKET OR CANDIDATE IS ELECTED OR DEFEATED WORK IN
- 27 HIS PLACE OR ESTABLISHMENT WILL CEASE, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, HIS
- 28 ESTABLISHMENT BE CLOSED UP, OR THE WAGES OF HIS EMPLOYES
- 29 REDUCED, OR OTHER THREATS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INTENDED OR
- 30 CALCULATED TO INFLUENCE THE POLITICAL OPINIONS OR ACTIONS OF HIS

- 1 EMPLOYES, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR OF THE SECOND DEGREE.
- 2 ANY PERSON OR CORPORATION, CONVICTED OF A VIOLATION OF ANY OF
- 3 THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE
- 4 NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE THOUSAND (\$5,000)] TEN THOUSAND (\$10,000)
- 5 DOLLARS, OR SUCH PERSON OR THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS OR AGENTS OF
- 6 SUCH CORPORATION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS SECTION,
- 7 SHALL BE SENTENCED TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN
- 8 [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 9 COURT.
- 10 SECTION 1848. FAILURE TO PERFORM DUTY. -- ANY SECRETARY OF THE
- 11 COMMONWEALTH, MEMBER OF A COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS, CHIEF
- 12 CLERK, EMPLOYE, OVERSEER, JUDGE OF ELECTION, INSPECTOR OF
- 13 ELECTION, CLERK OF ELECTION, MACHINE INSPECTOR OR CUSTODIAN OR
- 14 DEPUTY CUSTODIAN OF VOTING MACHINES ON WHOM A DUTY IS LAID BY
- 15 THIS ACT WHO SHALL WILFULLY NEGLECT OR REFUSE TO PERFORM HIS
- 16 DUTY, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION
- 17 THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE
- 18 THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO
- 19 AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR
- 20 BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 21 SECTION 1849. HINDERING OR DELAYING PERFORMANCE OF DUTY.--
- 22 ANY PERSON WHO INTENTIONALLY INTERFERES WITH, HINDERS OR DELAYS
- 23 OR ATTEMPTS TO INTERFERE WITH, HINDER OR DELAY ANY OTHER PERSON
- 24 IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ANY ACT OR DUTY AUTHORIZED OR IMPOSED BY
- 25 THIS ACT, SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION
- 26 THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [FIVE
- 27 HUNDRED (\$500)] ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN
- 28 IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR
- 29 BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 30 SECTION 1850. VIOLATION OF ANY PROVISION OF ACT.--ANY PERSON

- 1 WHO SHALL VIOLATE ANY OF THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT, FOR WHICH A
- 2 PENALTY IS NOT HEREIN SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED, SHALL BE GUILTY OF
- 3 A MISDEMEANOR, AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, SHALL BE SENTENCED
- 4 TO PAY A FINE NOT EXCEEDING [ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000)] TWO THOUSAND
- 5 (\$2,000) DOLLARS, OR TO UNDERGO AN IMPRISONMENT OF NOT MORE THAN
- 6 [ONE (1) YEAR] TWO (2) YEARS, OR BOTH, IN THE DISCRETION OF THE
- 7 COURT.
- 8 SECTION 17. SECTION 1853 OF THE ACT, AMENDED MARCH 27, 2020
- 9 (P.L.41, NO.12), IS AMENDED TO READ:
- 10 SECTION 1853. VIOLATIONS OF PROVISIONS RELATING TO ABSENTEE
- 11 AND MAIL-IN BALLOTS.--IF ANY PERSON SHALL SIGN AN APPLICATION
- 12 FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT, MAIL-IN BALLOT OR DECLARATION OF ELECTOR ON
- 13 THE FORMS PRESCRIBED KNOWING ANY MATTER DECLARED THEREIN TO BE
- 14 FALSE, OR SHALL VOTE ANY BALLOT OTHER THAN ONE PROPERLY ISSUED
- 15 TO THE PERSON, OR VOTE OR ATTEMPT TO VOTE MORE THAN ONCE IN ANY
- 16 ELECTION FOR WHICH AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT SHALL
- 17 HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE PERSON, OR SHALL DISCLOSE RESULTS OF A
- 18 PRE-CANVASSING MEETING UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(1.1), OR SHALL
- 19 VIOLATE ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XIII OR ARTICLE XIII-D
- 20 OF THIS ACT, THE PERSON SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR OF THE
- 21 THIRD DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION, SHALL BE SENTENCED TO PAY A
- 22 FINE NOT EXCEEDING [TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$2,500)]
- 23 <u>FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$5,000)</u>, OR BE IMPRISONED FOR A TERM NOT
- 24 EXCEEDING [TWO (2)] FOUR (4) YEARS, OR BOTH, AT THE DISCRETION
- 25 OF THE COURT.
- 26 IF ANY CHIEF CLERK OR MEMBER OF A BOARD OF ELECTIONS, MEMBER
- 27 OF A RETURN BOARD OR MEMBER OF A BOARD OF REGISTRATION
- 28 COMMISSIONERS, SHALL NEGLECT OR REFUSE TO PERFORM ANY OF THE
- 29 DUTIES PRESCRIBED BY ARTICLE XIII OR ARTICLE XIII-D OF THIS ACT,
- 30 OR SHALL REVEAL OR DIVULGE ANY OF THE DETAILS OF ANY BALLOT CAST

- 1 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XIII OR ARTICLE
- 2 XIII-D OF THIS ACT, OR SHALL DISCLOSE RESULTS OF A PRE-
- 3 CANVASSING MEETING UNDER SECTION 1308(G)(1.1), OR SHALL COUNT AN
- 4 ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT KNOWING THE SAME TO BE
- 5 CONTRARY TO ARTICLE XIII OR ARTICLE XIII-D, OR SHALL REJECT AN
- 6 ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT WITHOUT REASON TO BELIEVE THAT
- 7 THE SAME IS CONTRARY TO ARTICLE XIII OR ARTICLE XIII-D, OR SHALL
- 8 PERMIT AN ELECTOR TO CAST THE ELECTOR'S BALLOT OTHER THAN A
- 9 PROVISIONAL BALLOT AT A POLLING PLACE KNOWING THAT THERE HAS
- 10 BEEN ISSUED TO THE ELECTOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT OR MAIL-IN BALLOT,
- 11 THE [ELECTOR] INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE
- 12 THIRD DEGREE, AND, UPON CONVICTION, SHALL BE PUNISHED BY A FINE
- 13 NOT EXCEEDING [FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000)] THIRTY
- 14 THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000), OR BE IMPRISONED FOR A TERM NOT
- 15 EXCEEDING [SEVEN (7)] FOURTEEN (14) YEARS, OR BOTH, AT THE
- 16 DISCRETION OF THE COURT.
- 17 SECTION 18. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.