

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1179 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY BARRAR, GABLER, GIBBONS, HEFFLEY, KRIEGER,  
LONGIETTI, McNEILL, MURT AND ROZZI, MAY 11, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE, MAY 11, 2015

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled  
2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal,  
3 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates,  
4 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating  
5 and defining membership of county boards of elections;  
6 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth,  
7 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners;  
8 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying,  
9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and  
10 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to  
11 elections," in district election officers, further providing  
12 for qualifications of election officers and for vacancies in  
13 election boards.

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

16 Section 1. Section 402(a) of the act of June 3, 1937  
17 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code,  
18 amended December 9, 2002 (P.L.1246, No.150), is amended to read:

19 Section 402. Qualifications of Election Officers.--(a)  
20 Except as provided in subsection (b) and section 405(a.2) and  
21 (c), election officers shall be qualified registered electors of  
22 the district in which they are elected or appointed. No person  
23 shall be qualified to serve as an election officer who shall

1 hold, or shall within two months have held, any office,  
2 appointment or employment in or under the Government of the  
3 United States or of this State or of any city or county or poor  
4 district, of any municipal board, commission or trust in any  
5 city, save only district justices, notaries public and persons  
6 in the militia service of the State; nor shall any election  
7 officer be eligible to any civil office to be voted for at a  
8 primary or election at which he shall serve, except that of an  
9 election officer.

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11 Section 2. Section 405 of the act is amended by adding a  
12 subsection to read:

13 Section 405. Vacancies in Election Boards; Appointment;  
14 Judge and Majority Inspector to Be Members of Majority Party;  
15 Minority Inspector to Be Member of Minority Party.--\* \* \*

16 (a.2) A vacancy in the office of minority inspector may be  
17 filled by a qualified registered elector of the county in which  
18 the election district is located.

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20 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.