## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 650

Session of 2021

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 24, 2021

## AN ACT

- Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, 2 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, 3 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, courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, 7 8 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and 9 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to 10 elections," in primary and election expenses, further providing for place of filing and for additional powers and 11 12 duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 15 hereby enacts as follows: Section 1. Sections 1631(2) and 1640(5) of the act of June 16 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election 17 18 Code, are amended to read: 19 Section 1631. Place of Filing. --20 Any statement or report required by this article to be filed, 21 shall be done in the following manner: \* \* \* 22
- 23 (2) (i) Any statement or report concerning an issue to be

- 1 voted on by the electors of the State at large shall be filed
- 2 with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
- 3 (ii) Any statement or report concerning any other issue to
- 4 be voted on by the electors of this Commonwealth shall be filed
- 5 in the county wherein the electors reside.
- 6 (iii) Within thirty (30) days of receipt of a statement or
- 7 report concerning campaign finance, the county board of
- 8 <u>elections shall file the statement or report with the Secretary</u>
- 9 of the Commonwealth for publication on the Department of State's
- 10 publicly accessible Internet website.
- 11 \* \* \*
- 12 Section 1640. Additional Powers and Duties of the Secretary
- 13 of the Commonwealth. -- The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
- 14 have the following additional powers and duties:
- 15 \* \* \*
- 16 (5) To examine the contributions to [State legislative and
- 17 Statewide] all candidates and publish a list of all those
- 18 political committees who have contributed to candidates and who
- 19 have failed to file reports as required by this act within six
- 20 (6) days of their failure to comply.
- 21 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.