THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 10, 2015

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled 1 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, 2 3 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating 4 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; 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 nomination of candidates, further providing 11 for place and time of filing nomination petitions and filing 12 13 fees. 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 15 hereby enacts as follows: 16 Section 1. Section 913(b.1) of the act of June 3, 1937 17 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, amended October 8, 2004 (P.L.807, No.97), is amended to read: 18 19 Section 913. Place and Time of Filing Nomination Petitions; Filing Fees.--* * * 20 21 (b.1) Each person filing any nomination petition shall pay 22 for each petition, at the time of filing, a filing fee to be 23 determined as follows, and no nomination petition shall be

accepted or filed, unless and until such filing fee is paid by a 1 2 certified check or money order or also by cash when filed with 3 the county board. All moneys paid on account of filing fees shall be transmitted by the county board to the county treasurer 4 and shall become part of the General Fund. Certified checks or 5 money orders in payment of filing fees shall be made payable to 6 the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or to the county, as the case 7 8 may be, and shall be transmitted to the State Treasurer or to 9 the county treasurer and shall become part of the General Fund. 10 If for the office of President of the United States, or 1. for any public office to be filled by the electors of the State 11 at large, the sum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00). 12

13 2. If for the office of Representative in Congress, the sum
 14 of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00).

3. If for the office of judge of a court of record,
excepting judges to be voted for by the electors of the State at
large, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

4. If for the offices of Senator or Representative in the General Assembly, for any office to be filled by the electors of an entire county, for the office of district councilman in a city of the first class and for any office other than school district office to be filled by the electors of an entire city, the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), except as provided in paragraph 4.1.

4.1. If for nonschool board offices for any third class cityofficial, the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

6. If for the office of [delegate or alternate delegate to National party convention, or] member of National committee or member of State committee, the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

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7. If for the office of constable, the sum of ten dollars
 (\$10.00).

8. If for the office of district councilman in a city of the second class or the office of district justice, the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

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7 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.