
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1052 Session of
2024

INTRODUCED BY BAKER, PENNYCUICK AND BROWN, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 12, 2024

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, providing for general appropriation bill.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby resolves as follows:

5 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
6 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

7 That Article VIII be amended by adding a section to read:

8 § 18. General appropriation bill.

9 If the general appropriation bill is not enacted by the
10 constitutional deadline of June 30 in any year, the Commonwealth
11 shall maintain State appropriations at 80% of the amounts
12 specified in the general appropriation act for the most recent
13 fiscal year.

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

16 (1) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of
17 the amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
18 proceed immediately to comply with the advertising

1 requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution
2 of Pennsylvania.

3 (2) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of
4 the amendment, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
5 proceed immediately to comply with the advertising
6 requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution
7 of Pennsylvania. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall
8 submit the amendment to the qualified electors of this
9 Commonwealth at the first primary, general or municipal
10 election which meets the requirements of section 1 of Article
11 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.