THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 914 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY AUMENT, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON, PITTMAN, MASTRIANO, PHILLIPS-HILL, SCAVELLO, STEFANO, J. WARD AND GEBHARD, OCTOBER 19, 2021

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 19, 2021

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 voting by qualified mail-in electors,
12   providing for moratorium on voting by mail-in ballot.

13   The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

14 hereby enacts as follows:

15   Section 1. The act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known

16 as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is amended by adding a

17 section to read:

18 Section 1309-D. Moratorium on voting by mail-in ballot.

19   (a) Moratorium.--Voting by an official mail-in ballot in any

20 election held in this Commonwealth in the manner provided under

21 this article shall be suspended until the earlier of the

22 following:

1   (1) The commencement of the election process regarding

2   the 2023 primary election.

3   (2) Notice under subsection (b).

4   (b) Notice.--Upon enactment of legislation that addresses

5 any problem associated with voting by an official mail-in

6 ballot, the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker

7 of the House of Representatives shall transmit notice of the

8 enactment to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in

9 the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

10   Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.