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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 1, 2015

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, 1 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; 6 7 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, 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 number of signers required for nomination petitions of 12 candidates at primaries. 13 14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 15 hereby enacts as follows: 16 Section 1. Section 912.1 of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, 17 18 amended February 13, 1989 (P.L.1, No.1), is amended to read: 19 Section 912.1. Number of Signers Required for Nomination 20 Petitions of Candidates at Primaries. -- Candidates for nomination 21 of offices as listed below shall present a nominating petition 22 containing at least as many valid signatures of registered and

23 enrolled members of the proper party as listed below:

- 1 (1) President of the United States: Two thousand.
- 2 (2) United States Senate: Two thousand.
- 3 (3) Governor: Two thousand including at least one hundred
- 4 from each of at least ten counties.
- 5 (4) Lieutenant Governor: One thousand including at least one
- 6 hundred from each of at least five counties.
- 7 (5) Treasurer: One thousand including at least one hundred
- 8 from each of at least five counties.
- 9 (6) Auditor General: One thousand including at least one
- 10 hundred from each of at least five counties.
- 11 (7) Attorney General: One thousand including at least one
- 12 hundred from each of at least five counties.
- 13 (8) Justice of the Supreme Court: One thousand including at
- 14 least one hundred from each of at least five counties.
- 15 (9) Judge of the Superior Court: One thousand including at
- 16 least one hundred from each of at least five counties.
- 17 (10) Judge of the Commonwealth Court: One thousand including
- 18 at least one hundred from each of at least five counties.
- 19 (11) For any other office to be filled by the vote of the
- 20 electors of the State at large or for any other party office to
- 21 be elected by the electors of the State at large: One thousand
- 22 including at least one hundred from each of at least five
- 23 counties.
- 24 (12) Representative in Congress: One thousand.
- 25 (13) Senator in the General Assembly: Five hundred.
- 26 (14) Representative in the General Assembly: Three hundred.
- 27 (15) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 28 electors in counties of the first class at large: One thousand.
- 29 (16) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 30 electors in counties of the second class at large: Five hundred.

- 1 (17) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 2 electors in cities of the first class at large: One thousand.
- 3 (18) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 4 electors in counties of the second class A at large: Two hundred
- 5 fifty.
- 6 (19) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 7 electors in counties of the third class at large: Two hundred
- 8 fifty.
- 9 (20) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 10 electors in counties of the fourth class at large: Two hundred
- 11 fifty.
- 12 (21) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 13 electors in cities of the second class at large: Two hundred
- 14 fifty.
- 15 (22) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 16 electors in cities of the second class A at large: One hundred.
- 17 (23) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 18 electors in cities of the third class at large: One hundred.
- 19 (24) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 20 electors in counties of the fifth class at large: One hundred.
- 21 (25) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 22 electors in counties of the sixth class at large: One hundred.
- 23 (26) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 24 electors in counties of the seventh class at large: One hundred.
- 25 (27) Public or party offices to be filled by a vote of the
- 26 electors in counties of the eighth class at large: One hundred.
- 27 (28) Office of judge of any court of record other than a
- 28 Statewide court or a court in a county of the first or second
- 29 class: Two hundred fifty.
- 30 (29) District delegate or alternate district delegate to a

- 1 National party convention: Two hundred fifty.
- 2 (30) Member of State committee: One hundred.
- 3 (31) Office of district council member in a city of the
- 4 first class: Seven hundred fifty.
- 5 (31.1) Office of district council member in a city of the

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- 6 second class: One hundred.
- 7 (32) Office of district justice: One hundred.
- 8 (33) Office of judge of election: Ten.
- 9 (34) Inspector of elections: Five.
- 10 (35) <u>School director: Twenty five TEN.</u>
- 11 (36) All other public and party offices: Ten.
- 12 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.