THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled 1 "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 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; 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 electronic voting systems, further providing 11 12 for returns. 13 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 14 hereby enacts as follows: 15 Section 1. Section 1114-A(b)(1) of the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is 16 amended to read: 17 18 Section 1114-A. Returns.--* * * 19 (b) (1) All proceedings at the central tabulation center 20 shall be under the direction of the county board of elections or 21 of such persons as it may designate and shall be conducted under the observation of the public insofar as is practical, but no 22

| 1 | persons except those authorized for the purpose shall touch any |
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| 2 | ballot or district totals card. All persons who are engaged in |
| 3 | processing and counting the ballots and district totals cards |
| 4 | shall be deputized and take an oath that they will faithfully |
| 5 | perform their assigned duties. <u>Compensation and other payments</u> |
| 6 | received by an individual hired for the sole purpose of |
| 7 | performing duties under this paragraph shall not be deemed |
| 8 | income classified and categorized under section 303 of the act |
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| 9 | of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the "Tax Reform Code of |
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