
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY GROVE, RYAN, ECKER, FEE, ROTHMAN, DIAMOND, IRVIN,
KAUFFMAN, PICKETT, DUNBAR, ROWE, JAMES, OBERLANDER, KEEFER,
SCHLEGEL CULVER, ZIMMERMAN, MOUL AND STAMBAUGH,
JANUARY 11, 2021

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, JANUARY 11, 2021

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, in legislation, further providing for
3 appropriation bills.

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

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

8 That section 11 of Article III be amended to read:

9 § 11. Appropriation bills.

10 The general appropriation bill shall embrace nothing but
11 appropriations for a single fiscal year for the executive,
12 legislative and judicial departments of the Commonwealth, for
13 the public debt and for public schools. All other
14 appropriations, including supplemental appropriations for a
15 prior fiscal year, shall be made by separate bills, each
16 embracing but one subject.

17 Section 2. (a) Upon the first passage by the General

1 Assembly of this proposed constitutional amendment, the
2 Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to
3 comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article
4 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the
5 required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in
6 which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after
7 passage of this proposed constitutional amendment.

8 (b) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of this
9 proposed constitutional amendment, the Secretary of the
10 Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the
11 advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the
12 Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required
13 advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such
14 newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of
15 this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the
16 Commonwealth shall submit this proposed constitutional amendment
17 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first
18 primary, general or municipal election which meets the
19 requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article
20 XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least
21 three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is
22 passed by the General Assembly.