

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 211, PN 93**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing separate amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for rights of accused in criminal prosecutions and for judicial administration.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Mr. VITALI offered the following amendment No. A4770:

Amend Title, page 1, line 1, by inserting after "separate" and integrated

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by inserting after "Pennsylvania," further providing for ineligibility for public office; and

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 7 through 9, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

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

That section 7 of Article II be amended to read:

§ 7. Ineligibility by criminal convictions.

(a) No person hereafter convicted of embezzlement of public moneys, bribery, perjury or other infamous crime, shall be eligible to the General Assembly, or capable of holding any office of trust or profit in this Commonwealth.

(b) There is hereby declared an immediate vacancy in the legislative district of any member of the General Assembly who is convicted of embezzlement of public moneys, bribery or perjury.

(c) The presiding officer shall schedule a special election within ten legislative days of the occurrence of a vacancy under subsection (b).

(d) As used in this section:

"Conviction." The imposition of a sentence by a court of record after a verdict of guilty or a plea of guilty or a plea of nolo contendere by a defendant.

Section 2. The following integrated amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania are proposed in accordance with Article XI:

Amend Sec. 2, page 3, line 3, by striking out "2" and inserting
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Amend Sec. 2, page 3, lines 19 through 24, by striking out all of said lines and inserting
Commonwealth shall:

(1) Submit the proposed constitutional amendment under section 1 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth as a single ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendments are passed by the General Assembly.

(2) Submit the proposed constitutional amendments under section 2 to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth as integrated ballot questions at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendments are passed by the General Assembly

On the question,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair

Mr. VITALI. Madam Speaker, could we take a pause for a couple of minutes on this? I know that there is some discussion among our leadership on this issue, and I am not sure it has been finalized. Could we just hold this off a couple of minutes?

BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The bill will go over very temporarily.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

SB 765, PN 855 By Rep. HERMAN

An Act amending the act of February 1, 1966 (1965 P.L.1656, No.581), known as The Borough Code, further providing for the State Association of Boroughs and for regional borough associations.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 766, PN 1670 (Amended) By Rep. HERMAN

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, further providing for certain reimbursement, for members of the civil service commission and for organization and quorum of the commission.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 767, PN 857 By Rep. HERMAN

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, further providing for county associations and for the State Association of Township Supervisors.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 769, PN 1671 (Amended) By Rep. HERMAN

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, further providing for members of the civil service commission, for organization and a quorum of the commission and for compensation.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 978, PN 1174 By Rep. HERMAN

An Act amending the act of July 7, 1947 (P.L.1368, No.542), known as the Real Estate Tax Sale Law, providing for the alternative collection of taxes.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. We are about to take up a condolence resolution on the death of a former member. The Sergeants at Arms will close the doors of the House, and all members, please take your seats.

Would all members please take your seats. We are about to take