

**Pennsylvania Proposed Constitutional Amendments of the General Assembly for
the Year 1989
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| 1989 | SB | 1 | 6 | Jury trial verdict in criminal cases, render by not less than five-sixths; exception (Amend Constitution Article I, section 6) | SB420 |
| 1989 | SB | 1 | 6 | Jury trials, civil or noncapital criminal cases provide for six jurors; General Assembly authorization (Amend Constitution Article I, section 6) | SB477 |
| 1989 | HB | 1 | 7 | Candidates for elected office; free speech, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article 1, section 7) | HB1857 |
| 1989 | SB | 1 | 8 | Searches and seizures, not exceed rights and restrictions of fourth amendment to United States Constitution (Amend Constitution Article I, section 8) | SB874 |
| 1989 | SB | 1 | 14 | Bail rights, denied in certain instances (Amend Constitution Article I, section 14) | SB580 |
| 1989 | HB | 1 | 29 | Personal reproductive decisions, right of people not be violated (Amend Constitution Article 1, section added) | HB1962 |
| 1989 | SB | 1 | 29 | Personal reproductive right, decision shall not be violated (Amend Constitution Article I, add section 29) | SB1227 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 1 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 2 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 2 | General Assembly, vacancies in office involving members, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article II, section 2) | HB592 |
| 1989 | SB | 2 | 3 | General Assembly sessions, three-year term; members terms, Senate six-year, House three-year (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 3 and 4) | SB203 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 3 | General Assembly, maximum number of terms of office for members, providing for (Constitution Article II, section 3) | HB1602 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 3 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 3 | House of Representatives, four-year term for members (Amend Constitution Article II, section 3) | HB327 |

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| 1989 | HB | 2 | 3 | House of Representatives, four-year terms for members (Amend Constitution Article II, section 3) | HB189 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 4 | Annual session, day of convening first Tuesday after the first Monday of January (Amend Constitution Article II, section 4) | HB323 |
| 1989 | SB | 2 | 4 | General Assembly sessions, three-year term; members terms, Senate six-year, House three-year (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 3 and 4) | SB203 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 4 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 5 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 6 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 8 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 8 | General Assembly, unvouchered expense allowance, members prohibited from receiving increase during current term of office (Amend Constitution Article II, section 8) | HB206 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 8 | Legislators prohibited from voting to increase expense allowance, vouchered or unvouchered, during term vote occurred (Amend Constitution Article II, section 8) | HB236 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 9 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 10 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 11 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 12 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 13 | General Assembly, unicameral; composed of 151 members (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 1 through 6 and sections 8 through 13) | HB1591 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 16 | General Assembly, reduction in size of representative districts (Amend Constitution Article II, section 16) | HB294 |

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| 1989 | HB | 2 | 16 | Legislative Reapportionment Commission, criteria established for performing duties | HB590 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 16 | Reducing size of Senate and members of the House of Representatives (Amend Constitution Article II section 16) | HB1565 |
| 1989 | HB | 2 | 17 | Legislative Reapportionment Commission, criteria established for performing duties (Amend Constitution Article II, sections 16 and 17) | HB590 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 4 | Bills, imposing new taxes or license fees, concurrence by three-fifths of members' in each House required for passage; Commonwealth indebtedness further provided for (Constitution Article III, section 4) | HB394 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 4 | Indebtedness of Commonwealth further providing for (Constitution Article III, section 4) | HB394 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 26 | General Assembly authority to increase retirement benefits of spouse beneficiaries of members of State or municipal retirement system (State Government) | HB1414 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 26 | Retirement benefits or pensions, General Assembly authorized to increase (Amend Constitution Article III, section 26) | HB1865 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 26 | Retirement benefits or pensions, General Assembly authorized to increase, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article III, section 26) | HB1409 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 26 | Retirement benefits or pensions, authorizing General Assembly to increase (Amend Constitution Article III, section 26) | HB1005 |
| 1989 | SB | 3 | 26 | Retirement or pension benefits, increase for members or beneficiaries who are spouses (Amend Constitution Article III, section 26) | SB890 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 27 | Disaster legislation for special emergencies, Gubernatorial declaration of major disaster subsequent to 1981, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article VII, section 17) | HB238 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 31 | Binding arbitration between public school employees, changing provisions relating to delegation, to alleviate strikes (Amend Constitution Article III, section 31) | HB2056 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 31 | Binding arbitration for public employees, providing for (Amend Constitution Article III, section 31) | HB1618 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 31 | Binding arbitration, classes of essential public employees designated by General Assembly (Amend Constitution Article III, section 31) | SB863 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 31 | School employees, authorizing binding arbitration (Amend Constitution Article III, section 31) | HB1923 |

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| 1989 | HB | 3 | 33 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1589 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 33 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1603 |
| 1989 | SB | 3 | 33 | Initiative and referendum procedure authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, adding sections) | SB418 |
| 1989 | SB | 3 | 33 | Initiative and referendum procedure authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, section added) | SB1203 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 34 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1589 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 34 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1603 |
| 1989 | SB | 3 | 34 | Initiative and referendum procedure authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, adding sections) | SB418 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 35 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1589 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 35 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1603 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 36 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1589 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 36 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1603 |
| 1989 | SB | 3 | 36 | Initiative and referendum procedure authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, adding sections) | SB418 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 37 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1589 |
| 1989 | HB | 3 | 37 | Initiative and referendum authorized (Amend Constitution Article III, subdivision added) | HB1603 |
| 1989 | SB | 4 | 8 | Justices and judges selection, appointment and confirmation based on recommendations of Statewide or local judicial advisory commission (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 13, 14 and 15) | SB594 |

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| 1989 | SB | 4 | 8 | Supreme Court justices, judges of other Statewide courts and judges of Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, selection based on recommendations of Judicial Selection Advisory Committee (Amend Constitution Article IV section 8(b)) | SB1000 |
| 1989 | HB | 4 | 9 | Drug or controlled substance offenses, pardoning power of Governor, further providing for relative to life imprisonment (Amend Constitution Article IV, section 9 (a)) | HB1901 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 1 | Superior Court, rename Appeals Court (Amend Constitution Article V, various sections) | SB402 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 2 | Justices and judges of Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts, selection from established judicial districts (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 2,3,4, and 11) | HB362 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 2 | Justices, judges of Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts, selection from judicial districts, providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 2, 3 and 4) | HB1668 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 3 | Justices and judges of Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts, selection from established judicial districts (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 2,3,4, and 11) | HB362 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 3 | Justices, judges of Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts, selection from judicial districts, providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 2, 3 and 4) | HB1668 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 3 | Superior Court, rename Appeals Court (Amend Constitution Article V, various sections) | SB402 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 4 | Justices and judges of Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts, selection from established judicial districts (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 2,3,4, and 11) | HB362 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 4 | Justices, judges of Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts, selection from judicial districts, providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 2, 3 and 4) | HB1668 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 10 | Judicial administration, Chief Justice serve as administrative head of unified judicial system; duties (Amend Constitution Article V, section 10) | SB593 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 10 | Judicial administration; General Assembly enact ethics legislation regulating persons who practice law for Commonwealth full or part-time (Amend Constitution Article V, section 10 (c)) | SB535 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 10 | Superior and Commonwealth Courts appropriations, receive directly from General Assembly (Amend Constitution Article V, section 10 (a)) | SB523 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 10 | Supreme Court, delegate all general supervisory and administrative authority to Superior and Commonwealth Courts (Amend Constitution Article V, section 10 (a)) | SB385 |

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| 1989 | HB | 5 | 10 | Trial by jury established as a substantive right (Amend Constitution Article V, section 10(c)) | HB683 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 11 | Justices and judges of Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth Courts, selection from established judicial districts (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 2,3,4, and 11) | HB362 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 12 | Justices and judges selection, appointment and confirmation based on recommendations of Statewide or local judicial advisory commission (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 13, 14 and 15) | SB594 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 12 | Supreme Court justices, judges of other Statewide courts and judges of Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, selection based on recommendations of Judicial Selection Advisory Committee (Amend Constitution Article V sections 12, 13, and 14) | SB1000 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 13 | Judicial retention abolished (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 13 and 15) | HB66 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 13 | Justices and judges selection, appointment and confirmation based on recommendations of Statewide or local judicial advisory commission (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 13, 14 and 15) | SB594 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 13 | Justices of Supreme Court and judges of the Superior and Commonwealth Courts, changing and adding provisions relating to selection of (Amend Constitution Article V, section 13, 14 and 15) | HB941 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 13 | Superior Court, rename Appeals Court (Amend Constitution Article V, various sections) | SB402 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 13 | Supreme Court justices, judges of other Statewide courts and judges of Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, selection based on recommendations of Judicial Selection Advisory Committee (Amend Constitution Article V sections 12, 13, and 14) | SB1000 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 14 | Justices and judges selection, appointment and confirmation based on recommendations of Statewide or local judicial advisory commission (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 13, 14 and 15) | SB594 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 14 | Justices of Supreme Court and judges of the Superior and Commonwealth Courts, changing and adding provisions relating to selection of (Amend Constitution Article V, section 13, 14 and 15) | HB941 |

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| 1989 | SB | 5 | 14 | Supreme Court justices, judges of other Statewide courts and judges of Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, selection based on recommendations of Judicial Selection Advisory Committee (Amend Constitution Article V sections 12, 13, and 14) | SB1000 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 15 | Judicial retention abolished (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 13 and 15) | HB66 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 15 | Justices and judges selection, appointment and confirmation based on recommendations of Statewide or local judicial advisory commission (Amend Constitution Article V, sections 13, 14 and 15) | SB594 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 15 | Justices of Supreme Court and judges of the Superior and Commonwealth Courts, changing and adding provisions relating to selection of (Amend Constitution Article V, section 13, 14 and 15) | HB941 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 16 | Justices, judges and justices of the peace, retirement be last day of calendar year they attain age seventy (Amend Constitution Article V, section 16(b)) | HB452 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 17 | Judicial budgets and financial affairs, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section added) | SB1 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 17 | Judicial discipline, provisions changed; financial disclosure (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | HB539 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 17 | Judiciary; financial disclosure requirements, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | SB1 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 17 | Judiciary; financial disclosure, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | SB595 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 17 | Justice and judge candidates, speak on political and disputed legal issues (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17 (b)) | SB560 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 17 | Superior Court, rename Appeals Court (Amend Constitution Article V, various sections) | SB402 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 18 | Judicial Complaint Board and Court of the Judiciary, created; powers and duties (Amend Constitution Article V, section 18 and adding 19) | SB595 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 18 | Judicial budgets and financial affairs, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section added) | SB1 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 18 | Judicial discipline, provision changes, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 18) | HB846 |

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| 1989 | HB | 5 | 18 | Judicial discipline, provisions changed; financial disclosure (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | HB539 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 18 | Judiciary; financial disclosure requirements, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | SB1 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 18 | Judiciary; financial disclosure, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | SB595 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 18 | Superior Court, rename Appeals Court (Amend Constitution Article V, various sections) | SB402 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 19 | Judicial Complaint Board and Court of the Judiciary, created; powers and duties (Amend Constitution Article V, section 18 and adding 19) | SB595 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 19 | Judicial budgets and financial affairs, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section added) | SB1 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 19 | Judicial discipline, provisions changed; financial disclosure (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | HB539 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 19 | Judiciary; financial disclosure requirements, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | SB1 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 19 | Judiciary; financial disclosure, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | SB595 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 19 | Justices and judges of appellate courts, providing for the appointment of (Amend Constitution Article V, section added) | SB488 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 19 | Justices of Supreme Court and judges of the Superior and Commonwealth Courts, changing and adding provisions relating to selection of (Amend Constitution Article V, section 13, 14 and 15) | HB941 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 20 | Judicial Complaint Board and Court of the Judiciary, created; powers and duties (Amend Constitution Article V, section 18 and adding 19) | SB595 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 20 | Judicial budgets and financial affairs, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section added) | SB1 |
| 1989 | HB | 5 | 20 | Judicial discipline, provisions changed; financial disclosure (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | HB539 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 20 | Judiciary; financial disclosure, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 17) | SB595 |

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| 1989 | SB | 5 | 21 | Judicial budgets and financial affairs, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section 21) | SB595 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 21 | Judicial budgets and financial affairs, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section added) | SB1 |
| 1989 | SB | 5 | 22 | Judicial budgets and financial affairs, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article V, section added) | SB1 |
| 1989 | HB | 7 | 2 | Unfair tax burdens, laws relating to imposed upon certain Pennsylvania residents (Amend Constitution Article VII, section 2(b)) | HB1859 |
| 1989 | HB | 8 | 1 | Income tax, authorizing graduated amount (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 1) | HB1563 |
| 1989 | SB | 8 | 2 | Income tax return exemption for individuals filing when processing costs are disproportionate to amount realized (Amend Constitution Article VIII section 2(b)) | SB1114 |
| 1989 | SB | 8 | 2 | Real estate tax rates, differentials on residential property due to additional revenue from personal income taxes (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2 (b)) | SB13 |
| 1989 | SB | 8 | 2 | Real estate tax rates, differentials on residential property due to additional revenue from personal income taxes (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2 (b)) | SB259 |
| 1989 | HB | 8 | 2 | Real estate taxes, rate differentials, providing for; certain taxing authorities reduce rates on residential real property (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2(b)) | HB1 |
| 1989 | HB | 8 | 2 | Real property, owner-occupied, special tax provision authorized to abate tax increase when improvements or additions are made (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2(b)) | HB2135 |
| 1989 | HB | 8 | 2 | Real property, standards established for tax exemption for a portion of market value, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2(b)) | HB2185 |
| 1989 | HB | 8 | 2 | Tax exemption for disabled veterans, further providing for (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2(c)) | HB85 |
| 1989 | SB | 8 | 2 | Tax exemption for parsonages (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2 (a) (i)) | SB849 |
| 1989 | SB | 8 | 2 | Taxation; special provisions for taxation or deferral on gain from sale of principal residence (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 2(b)) | SB1148 |
| 1989 | HB | 8 | 11 | Mass transit, proceeds from gasoline and motor fuel taxes, vehicle registration and operator's license fees, expenditure authorized for expenses relating to (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 11(a)) | HB1376 |

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| 1989 | SB | 8 | 18 | Political subdivisions, laws effecting spending funds and the ability to raise revenue or receive State tax revenue, providing for (Amend Constitution Article VIII, section 18 added) | SB1284 |
| 1989 | HB | 9 | 15 | Municipal officials and authorities, legislative immunity, providing for (Amend Constitution Article IX, section added) | HB82 |