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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 902**

Session of  
1983

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INTRODUCED BY ITKIN, McVERRY, DAWIDA, COWELL, PISTELLA,  
VAN HORNE, MARKOSEK, TRELLO, OLASZ, DeLUCA AND PRESTON,  
MAY 2, 1983

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AS AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, IN SENATE, JUNE 27, 1984

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth  
2 of Pennsylvania, further providing for absentee ballots.

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

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

7 That section 14, Article VII be amended to read:

8 § 14. Absentee voting.

9 The Legislature shall, by general law, provide a manner in  
10 which, and the time and place at which, qualified electors who  
11 may, on the occurrence of any election, be absent from the State  
12 or county of their residence, because their duties, occupation  
13 or business require them to be elsewhere or who, on the  
14 occurrence of any election, are unable to attend at their proper  
15 polling places because of illness or physical disability or who  
16 WILL NOT ATTEND A POLLING PLACE BECAUSE OF THE OBSERVANCE OF A

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1 RELIGIOUS HOLIDAY OR WHO can not vote because of election day  
2 duties, in the case of a county employe, may vote, and for the  
3 return and canvass of their votes in the election district in  
4 which they respectively reside.