A JOINT RESOLUTION

HB 240

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

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

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

That section 14 of Article VII be amended to read:


The Legislature shall, by general law, provide a manner in which, and the time and place at which, qualified electors who may, on the occurrence of any election, be absent from the State or county of their residence, because their duties, occupation or business require them to be elsewhere or who, on the occurrence of any election, are unable to attend at their proper polling places because of illness or physical disability or who will not attend a polling place because of the observance of a religious holiday or who cannot vote because of election day duties, in the case of a county employee, may vote, and for the return and canvass of their votes in the election district in which they respectively reside.

Section 2. This proposed amendment shall be submitted by the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the primary, general or municipal election next held after the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania have been satisfied.