

Tuesday, October 6, 2026 10:00 AM Voting Meeting

**House State Government Committee Voting Meeting
Room 523 Irvis Office
Harrisburg, PA 17120
October 06, 2026
10:00 AM**

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Agenda

Senate Bill 782 (J. WARD) An Act amending Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in membership, contributions and benefits, further providing for termination of annuities; in membership, credited service, classes of service, and eligibility for benefits relating to retirement for State employees and officers, further providing for mandatory and optional membership in the system and participation in the plan; and, in benefits, further providing for termination of annuities.

Senate Bill 1183 (CULVER, PISCIOTTANO) An Act amending the act of December 19, 1990 (P.L.1200, No.202), known as the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act, further providing for registration of charitable organizations, financial reports, fees and failure to file.

Senate Bill 1303 (MARTIN) An Act providing for the placement of a monument of the Braille Flag at the State Capitol Building as a tribute to honor and remember those who have served in the line of duty and those left behind.

- **A04445 (HILL-EVANS):** Inserts "The American Braille Flag Project."

House Bill 1327 (DAVIDSON) An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in penalties, further providing for the offense of bribery at elections and providing for the offense of payment for registration.

House Resolution 599 (HILL-EVANS) A Resolution designating November 15, 2026, as "Articles of Confederation Day" in Pennsylvania; and recognizing the City of York, York County, for its important contribution to the forging of our nation.

House Resolution 607 (SANCHEZ, GREINER) A Resolution designating the week of November 16 through 20, 2026, as "Certified Public Accountant Week" in Pennsylvania.

House Resolution 632 (BELLMON) A Resolution recognizing the week of October 5 through 9, 2026, as "National Voter Education Week" in Pennsylvania.

House Resolution 638 (DELOZIER, HILL-EVANS) A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2026 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

House Resolution 645 (DALEY, HILL-EVANS) A Resolution designating October 20, 2026, as "Domestic Violence Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania, in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

And any other business that comes before the Committee

Adjournment

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Attachments:

- SB782 PN844 Bill Analysis
- SB782 PN844 (J. WARD) Return to Service for Part-Time Emergency Medical Services Police and Fire Instructors
- SB1183 PN1757 Bill Analysis
- SB1183 PN1757 (CULVER & PISCIOTTANO) Increasing Charitable Audit Thresholds
- A04445 Amendment Summary
- A04445 to SB1303
- SB1303 PN1643 Bill Analysis
- SB1303 PN1643 (MARTIN) Braille Flag-East Wing of Capitol
- HB1327 PN1519 Bill Analysis
- HB1327 PN1519 (DAVIDSON) Preventing Billionaires from Influencing PA Elections
- HR599 PN3838 Bill Analysis
- HR599 PN3838 (HILL-EVANS) November 15 2026 as Articles of Confederation Day in PA
- HR607 PN3853 Bill Analysis
- HR607 PN3853 (SANCHEZ & GREINER) Nov. 16-20 2026 as CPA Week in PA
- HR632 PN3927 Bill Analysis
- HR632 PN3927 (BELLMON) National Voter Education Week
- HR638 PN3957 Bill Analysis
- HR638 PN3957 (DELOZIER & HILL-EVANS) October 2026 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in PA
- HR645 PN3981 Bill Analysis
- HR645 PN3981 (DALEY & HILL-EVANS) Oct. 20 2026 as Domestic Violence Awareness Day in honor of 50th Anniversary of the PA Coalition Against Domestic

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DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	SB0782 PN0844	Prepared By:	Maya Fitterer (717) 787-8529
Committee:	State Government	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Sponsor:	Ward, Judy		
Date:	6/26/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Permits retirees from PSERS and SERS to return to service and work part-time as a state-certified emergency medical service, police, or fire instructor without suspension of their retirement benefits.

C. Analysis of the Bill

This legislation would amend Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes to permit retirees from the Public School Employees' Retirement System (PSERS) and the State Employees' Retirement System (SERS) to return to service as part-time police or emergency medical instructors without their retirement benefits being suspended. Additionally, SERS retirees would also be permitted to return to service as part-time fire instructors without impacts to their benefits.

If a PSERS or SERS retiree returns to part-time work for the State or a school, their retirement benefits would continue, but they could not make additional contributions to their existing retirement benefits.

The following would only apply to PSERS retirees:

An annuitant or participant currently receiving benefits could be employed in the following capacity for a school employer without loss of their benefits:

- A part-time instructor teaching a basic police training course or an in-service police training course that is approved by the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission.
- A part-time emergency medical services instructor.

The following would only apply to SERS retirees:

An annuitant or participant currently receiving benefits could be employed in the following capacity without loss of their benefits:

- As a part-time fire instructor at any of the following, who has received certification as a firefighter training instructor from the PA State Fire Academy:
 - The PA State Fire Academy
 - The Department of Education
 - A State-owned educational institution
 - A community college
 - The Pennsylvania State University
- As a part-time instructor teaching a basic police training course or an in-service police training course that is approved by the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission at any State Employees' Retirement System employer.
- As a part-time emergency medical services instructor at any State Employees' Retirement System employer.

Effective Date:

This legislation would take effect immediately.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

[Section 8346 of Title 24 \(Education\)](#) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes provides for termination of annuities for retired employees, adding a section to provide for return to school service as a police instructor or emergency medical services instructor.

[Section 5301 of Title 71 \(State Government\)](#) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes provides for mandatory and optional membership in the system and participation in the plan.

[Section 5706\(a\)\(2\) of Title 71 \(State Government\)](#) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes provides for termination of annuities, outlining exceptions to the general rule.

[Section 5706\(a.5\) of Title 71 \(State Government\)](#) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes provides for restrictions regarding contributions and credited service.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

2025-2026 Session:

House Bill 2032 (Struzzi) was referred to the House State Government Committee on November 17, 2025. No further action has been taken. This is companion legislation to Senate Bill 782 (J. Ward).

2023-2024 Session:

Senate Bill 423 (J. Ward) passed the Senate by a vote of 48-0. It was referred to the House State Government Committee on October 17, 2023. No further action was taken.

2021-2022 Session:

Senate Bill 423 (J. Ward) passed the Senate by a vote of 50-0 and the House by a vote of 200-0. No executive action was taken.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 782 Session of 2025

INTRODUCED BY J. WARD, FONTANA, BROWN, COSTA, BAKER, MILLER,
YAW, STEFANO, DUSH, CULVER AND FARRY, MAY 27, 2025

REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, MAY 27, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the
2 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in membership,
3 contributions and benefits, further providing for termination
4 of annuities; in membership, credited service, classes of
5 service, and eligibility for benefits relating to retirement
6 for State employees and officers, further providing for
7 mandatory and optional membership in the system and
8 participation in the plan; and, in benefits, further
9 providing for termination of annuities.

10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
11 hereby enacts as follows:

12 Section 1. Section 8346(b.2) heading, (1) and (2) of Title
13 24 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended and the
14 section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

15 § 8346. Termination of annuities.

16 * * *

17 (b.2) Limitation on return to school service by an annuitant
18 [during emergency or in an extracurricular position].--

19 (1) An annuitant may return to school service under
20 subsection (b) [or], (b.1) or (b.3), provided the annuitant
21 otherwise meets the requirements of subsection (b) [or],

1 (b.1) or (b.3) and has attained the age set forth in IRC §
2 401(a) (36) or the applicable "normal retirement age" in 26
3 C.F.R. § 1.401(a)-1(b) (2) (relating to post-ERISA qualified
4 plans and qualified trusts; in general).

5 (2) An annuitant who has not reached the age as set
6 forth in IRC § 401(a) (36), or the applicable "normal
7 retirement age" under 26 C.F.R. § 1.401(a)-1(b) (2), may
8 return to service under subsection (b) [or], (b.1) or (b.3)
9 provided the annuitant otherwise meets the requirements of
10 subsection (b) [or], (b.1) or (b.3) and has had a break in
11 service, as set forth in paragraph (3).

12 * * *

13 (b.3) Return to school service as a police instructor or
14 emergency medical services instructor.--

15 (1) An annuitant or participant receiving distributions
16 may be employed in the following capacity for a school
17 employer without loss of annuity:

18 (i) a part-time instructor teaching a basic police
19 training course or an in-service police training course
20 that is approved by the Municipal Police Officers'
21 Education and Training Commission for any school
22 employer; or

23 (ii) a part-time emergency medical services
24 instructor under 35 Pa.C.S. § 8124 (relating to emergency
25 medical services instructors) for any school employer.

26 (2) The annuitant or the participant receiving
27 distributions under paragraph (1) and the school employer of
28 the annuitant or participant shall not make contributions to
29 the member's savings account, individual investment account
30 or State accumulation account, respectively, for service

under this subsection. Service under paragraph (1) shall not be subject to member or participant contributions or be eligible for qualification as creditable school service or for participation in the plan, mandatory pickup participant contributions or employer defined contributions.

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Section 2. Sections 5301(d) and 5706(a)(2) and (a.5) of Title 71 are amended to read:

§ 5301. Mandatory and optional membership in the system and participation in the plan.

* * *

(d) Return to service.--

(1) An annuitant who returns to service as a State employee before January 1, 2019, or returns to State service as a Class A-5 exempt employee after December 31, 2018, shall resume active membership in the system as of the effective date of employment, except as otherwise provided in section 5706(a) and (a.1) (relating to termination of annuities), regardless of the optional membership category of the position.

(2) An annuitant or a participant receiving distributions who returns to service as a State employee on or after January 1, 2019, shall resume active membership in the system and, if an active member of Class A-5 or Class A-6, shall be an active participant in the plan as of the effective date of employment, except as otherwise provided in section 5706(a) and (a.1), regardless of the optional membership or participation category of the position: Provided, however, That a participant or former participant who previously elected to be solely a participant under

1 section 5306.4 or 5306.5 shall be a participant in the plan
2 and not an active member of the system, except for service as
3 a Class A-5 exempt employee.

4 * * *

5 § 5706. Termination of annuities.

6 (a) General rule.--

7 * * *

8 (2) This subsection shall not apply in the case of any
9 annuitant who:

10 (i) may render services to the Commonwealth in the
11 capacity of an independent contractor; or

12 (ii) is over normal retirement age or who has been
13 an annuitant for more than one year and who may render
14 service to the Commonwealth:

15 (A) as a member of an independent board or
16 commission or as a member of a departmental
17 administrative or advisory board or commission when
18 such members of independent or departmental boards or
19 commissions are compensated on a per diem basis for
20 not more than 150 days per calendar year; [or]

21 (B) as a member of an independent board or
22 commission requiring appointment by the Governor,
23 with advice and consent of the Senate, where the
24 annual salary payable to the member does not exceed
25 \$35,000 and where the member has been an annuitant
26 for at least six months immediately preceding the
27 appointment[.];

28 (C) as a part-time fire instructor at any of the
29 following who has received certification as a
30 firefighter training instructor from the Pennsylvania

1 State Fire Academy:

2 (I) the Pennsylvania State Fire Academy;

3 (II) the Department of Education;

4 (III) a State-owned educational institution;

5 (IV) a community college; or

6 (V) The Pennsylvania State University;

7 (D) as a part-time instructor teaching a basic

8 police training course or an in-service police

9 training course that is approved by the Municipal

10 Police Officers' Education and Training Commission at

11 any State Employees' Retirement System employer; or

12 (E) as a part-time emergency medical services

13 instructor under 35 Pa.C.S. § 8124 (relating to

14 emergency medical services instructors) at any State

15 Employees' Retirement System employer.

16 * * *

17 (a.5) No contributions or credited service.--The service of

18 an annuitant whose annuity does not cease upon his return to

19 State or school service shall not be subject to member

20 contributions or eligible for qualification as creditable State

21 service [and], shall not be eligible for participation in the

22 plan, mandatory pickup participant contributions, voluntary

23 contributions or employer defined contributions[.], shall not be

24 subject to school employee member contributions to the Public

25 School Employees' Retirement System or eligible for

26 qualification as creditable school service in the Public School

27 Employees' Retirement System and shall not be eligible for

28 participation as a school employee in the School Employees'

29 Defined Contribution Plan or any type of contributions to the

30 School Employees' Defined Contribution Plan.

1 * * *

2 Section 3. This act shall apply only to service as a State-
3 certified fire instructor, police instructor or emergency
4 medical services instructor performed after the effective date
5 of this section without regard to whether the service as an
6 annuitant began before or after the effective date of this
7 section.

8 Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

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DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	SB1183 PN1757	Prepared By:	Maya Fitterer (717) 787-8529
Committee:	State Government	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Sponsor:	Schlegel Culver, Lynda		
Date:	8/4/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Raises the audit thresholds for charitable organizations.

C. Analysis of the Bill

This legislation would amend Act 202 of 1990, also known as the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes (SFCP) Act, to raise the audit thresholds for charitable organizations.

Organizations receiving the specified annual contributions would be required to comply with an independent certified public accountant (CPA) or public accountant and adhere to the following reporting standards:

- **Audit required:** Raises the threshold to \$1,000,000 or more. The current threshold is \$750,000 or more.
- **Review or audit required:** Adjusts the threshold to at least \$500,000 but less than \$1,000,000. The current range is at least \$250,000 but less than \$750,000.
- **Compilation, review, or audit required:** Adjusts the threshold to at least \$150,000 but less than \$500,000. The current range is at least \$100,000 but less than \$250,000.
- **Compilation, review, or audit optional** for organizations receiving less than \$150,000. The current threshold is less than \$100,000.

Effective Date:

120 Days.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

[Section No. 5\(f\) of Act 202 of 1990](#), also known as the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act, establishes an audit requirement for charitable organizations receiving annual contributions above a certain threshold and sets standards for organizations making below the set threshold.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

2025-2026 Session:

House Bill 965 (Salisbury) was referred to the State Government Committee on March 19, 2025. No further action has been taken. This is companion legislation to Senate Bill 1183 (Culver).

2023-2024 Session:

House Bill 1824 (Salisbury) was referred to the State Government Committee on November 8, 2023. The bill was not brought up for consideration.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1183 Session of
2026INTRODUCED BY CULVER, PISCIOTTANO, COSTA, KEARNEY, STEFANO AND
VOGEL, FEBRUARY 13, 2026

SENATOR DUSH, STATE GOVERNMENT, AS AMENDED, JUNE 2, 2026

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of December 19, 1990 (P.L.1200, No.202),
2 entitled "An act providing for the registration and
3 regulation of solicitations by charitable organizations,
4 professional fundraisers and other solicitors; imposing
5 additional powers on the Department of State and the Office
6 of Attorney General; prescribing civil and criminal
7 penalties; and making a repeal," further providing for
8 registration of charitable organizations, financial reports,
9 fees and failure to file.

10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
11 hereby enacts as follows:

12 Section 1. Section 5(f) of the act of December 19, 1990
13 (P.L.1200, No.202), known as the Solicitation of Funds for
14 Charitable Purposes Act, is amended to read:

15 Section 5. Registration of charitable organizations; financial
16 reports; fees; failure to file.

17 * * *

18 (f) Audit of certain financial reports.--~~{The} Except as~~ <--
19 ~~provided under section 9(1), the~~ financial report of every
20 charitable organization which receives annual contributions of
21 [~~\$750,000~~] \$1,000,000 or more shall be audited by an independent

1 certified public accountant or public accountant. Every
2 charitable organization which receives annual contributions of
3 at least ~~[\$250,000]~~ \$500,000, but less than ~~[\$750,000]~~
4 \$1,000,000, shall be required to have a review or audit of their
5 financial statements performed by an independent certified
6 public accountant or public accountant. Every charitable
7 organization which receives annual contributions of at least
8 ~~[\$100,000]~~ \$150,000, but less than ~~[\$250,000]~~ \$500,000, shall be
9 required to have a compilation, review or audit of their
10 financial statements performed by an independent certified
11 public accountant or public accountant. A compilation, audit or
12 review is optional for any charitable organization which
13 receives annual contributions of less than ~~[\$100,000]~~ \$150,000.
14 Audits shall be performed in accordance with generally accepted
15 auditing standards, including the Statements on Auditing
16 Standards of the American Institute of Certified Public
17 Accountants, whereas reviews shall be performed in accordance
18 with the Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review
19 Services of the American Institute of Certified Public
20 Accountants.

21 * * *

22 Section 2. This act shall apply to contributions received in
23 calendar years beginning after the effective date of this
24 section.

25 Section 3. This act shall take effect ~~immediately~~ IN 120
26 DAYS.

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DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE AMENDMENT REPORT

SB1303 - PN1643 (Martin, Scott)

Authorizes the placement of the Braille Flag Monument in the East Wing of the Pennsylvania State Capitol Building as a tribute to honor and remember those who have served in the line of duty and those left behind.

A-04445 (Hill-Evans, Carol) (Committee)

Inserts "The American Braille Flag Project."

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 1303

Sponsor: **Hill-Evans**

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- 1 Amend Bill, page 2, line 14, by inserting after "and"
- 2 the American Braille Flag Project to

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DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	SB1303 PN1643	Prepared By:	Hanna Yu
Committee:	State Government		(717) 787-8529
Sponsor:	Martin, Scott	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Date:	6/30/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Authorizes the placement of the Braille Flag Monument in the East Wing of the Pennsylvania State Capitol Building as a tribute to honor and remember those who have served in the line of duty and those left behind.

C. Analysis of the Bill

This legislation would provide for the placement of a monument of the Braille Flag in the East Wing of the State Capitol Building as a tribute to honor and remember those who have served in the line of duty and those left behind.

The Department of General Services (DGS) would be required to coordinate with the Moose organization and facilitate the selection, preparation, placement, and installation of the Braille Flag Monument. The monument would be required to be made of bronze and include the Pledge of Allegiance written in braille.

Effective Date:

This legislation would take effect immediately.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

This is freestanding legislation.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes).

None.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1303 Session of 2026

INTRODUCED BY MARTIN, PENNYCUICK, ROBINSON, DUSH, MASTRIANO, ROTHMAN, YAW, BROWN, CAPPELLETTI, COMITTA, COSTA, CULVER, HAYWOOD, PICOZZI, STEFANO, VOGEL AND J. WARD, APRIL 23, 2026

REFERRED TO VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, APRIL 23, 2026

AN ACT

1 Providing for the placement of a monument of the Braille Flag at
2 the State Capitol Building as a tribute to honor and remember
3 those who have served in the line of duty and those left
4 behind.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Findings.

8 The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

9 (1) The Braille Flag was created by Randolph Cabral, the
10 son of a blind WWII veteran, in honor of his father.

11 (2) The flag was founded on the pillars of pride for our
12 homeland, love of one's family, the braveness of the patriot,
13 the selflessness of sacrifice and the inspiring legacy left
14 by veterans who have served, who have been left with long-
15 lasting disabilities, including loss of eyesight, or who have
16 paid the ultimate price.

17 (3) In April 2008, the Braille Flag was officially
18 installed at Arlington National Cemetery as a tribute to

1 blind veterans of all wars and other blind Americans.

2 (4) Many organizations have installed these flags in
3 appreciation, including The Moose, a fraternal and service
4 organization founded in 1888 with more than 1,000,000 members
5 in approximately 1,500 Lodges in all 50 states.

6 Section 2. Monument.

7 (a) Location.--The Braille Flag Monument shall be located in
8 the East Wing of the State Capitol Building.

9 (b) Material and form.--The Braille Flag Monument shall be
10 made of bronze and shall include the Pledge of Allegiance
11 written in braille.

12 Section 3. The Department of General Services.

13 (a) Coordination.--The Department of General Services shall
14 coordinate with The Moose organization and facilitate the
15 selection and preparation of the designated site, as well as the
16 placement and installation of the Braille Flag Monument.

17 (b) Construction.--Except as provided in subsection (a),
18 nothing in this act shall be construed to impose any duties upon
19 the Department of General Services.

20 Section 4. Effective date.

21 This act shall take effect immediately.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	HB1327 PN1519	Prepared By:	Sam Allery
Committee:	State Government		(717) 787-8529
Sponsor:	Davidson, Nathan	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Date:	10/1/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Prohibits a person from offering or promising a gift or reward in money, goods or any other valuable thing to another person to encourage the other person to register to vote in Pennsylvania.

C. Analysis of the Bill

The legislation would amend Act No. 320 of 1937, known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code," to add a new section prohibiting an individual from offering money, goods, or any other valuable thing to another individual to incentivize the individual to register to vote in Pennsylvania.

The new section would create a first-degree misdemeanor criminal offense for any person who directly or indirectly makes such an offer. A person who is guilty of such an offense would be subject to a fine of no less than \$10,000, imprisonment of up to five years, or both, at the discretion of the court. It is also established that the term "other valuable thing" includes a chance to win a lottery or similar prize-drawing contest.

The legislation would also amend Section 1839 (Bribery at Elections) of the act to establish that a person may not directly or indirectly, give or promise or offer to give any gift or reward in money, goods or other valuable thing to any person to induce that person to vote or refrain from voting in a primary or election in Pennsylvania, regardless of whether the bribe is made to induce the person to vote or refrain from voting for or against any particular candidate or ballot question. Under the current statute, a bribe prohibited under this section must be made to encourage or discourage a voter from casting a ballot for or against a particular candidate or ballot question. The legislation also clarifies that the term "other valuable thing" as used in this section shall include a chance to win a lottery or similar prize-drawing contest.

Effective Date:

This legislation would take effect in 60 days.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

Section 1211 (Bribery at Elections; Challenges; Rejection of Votes) of the act establishes that an election officer in Pennsylvania shall reject the vote of a person at any primary or election who shall give or promise or offer to give to an elector any money, reward or other valuable consideration for their vote at such primary or election or for withholding the same, or who shall give or promise to give such consideration to any other person or party for such elector's vote or for the withholding thereof, or who shall receive or agree to receive for himself or for another any money, reward or other valuable consideration for his vote at such primary or election, or for withholding the same.

Section 1839 (Bribery at Elections) of the Act prohibits an individual from directly or indirectly giving or promising or offering to give a gift or reward in money, goods, or any other valuable thing to a person to induce that person to vote or refrain from voting for or against a particular candidate or ballot question in a primary or election in Pennsylvania. An individual who

commits a violation of this section is guilty of a felony of the third degree and subject to a fine of no more than \$15,000 and imprisonment of up to seven years, or both.

Section 1851 (Candidate Violating Act Disqualified from Holding Office) of the act establishes that an individual who is found guilty of bribery, fraud, or a willful violation of the act shall be permanently disqualified from holding an office of trust or profit in Pennsylvania.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

None.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1327 Session of
2025

INTRODUCED BY DAVIDSON, KHAN, SCHLOSSBERG, VENKAT, PIELLI,
HANBIDGE, MERSKI, PROBST, MALAGARI, CERRATO, DONAHUE,
FREEMAN, SANCHEZ, SIEGEL, MAYES, OTTEN, BOROWSKI, HADDOCK,
WARREN, RIVERA, K.HARRIS, D. WILLIAMS, BOYD AND CEPEDA-
FREYTIZ, APRIL 28, 2025

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 28, 2025

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), entitled
2 "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal,
3 special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates,
4 primary and election expenses and election contests; creating
5 and defining membership of county boards of elections;
6 imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth,
7 courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners;
8 imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying,
9 revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and
10 repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to
11 elections," in penalties, further providing for the offense
12 of bribery at elections and providing for the offense of
13 payment for registration.

14 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
15 hereby enacts as follows:

16 Section 1. Section 1839 of the act of June 3, 1937
17 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, is
18 amended to read:

19 Section 1839. Bribery at Elections.--Any person who shall,
20 directly or indirectly, give or promise or offer to give any
21 gift or reward in money, goods or other valuable thing to any
22 person, with intent to induce him to vote or refrain from voting

1 [for any particular candidate or candidates or for or against
2 any constitutional amendment or other question] at any primary
3 or election; or who shall, directly or indirectly, procure for
4 or offer or promise to procure for such person any such gift or
5 reward with the intent aforesaid; or, who with the intent to
6 influence or intimidate such person to give his vote or to
7 refrain from giving his vote for any particular candidate or
8 candidates or for or against any constitutional amendment or
9 other question at any primary or election, shall give to or
10 obtain for or assist in obtaining for or offer or promise to
11 give to or obtain for or assist in obtaining for such person any
12 office, place, appointment or employment, public or private, or
13 threaten such person with dismissal or discharge from any
14 office, place, appointment or employment, public or private,
15 then held by him, shall be guilty of a felony of the third
16 degree, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay
17 a fine not exceeding fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars, or to
18 undergo an imprisonment of not more than seven (7) years, or
19 both, in the discretion of the court. For the purpose of this
20 section, the term "other valuable thing" includes a chance to
21 win a lottery or similar prize-drawing contest.

22 Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

23 Section 1839.1. Payment for Registration.--A person who
24 directly or indirectly gives or promises or offers to give a
25 gift or reward in money, goods or other valuable thing to
26 another person, with the intent to induce the other person to
27 register to vote, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the first
28 degree, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay
29 a fine of not less than ten thousand (\$10,000) dollars, or to
30 undergo imprisonment of not more than five (5) years, or both,

1 in the discretion of the court. For the purpose of this section,
2 the term "other valuable thing" includes a chance to win a
3 lottery or similar prize-drawing contest.

4 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	HR0599 PN3838	Prepared By:	Maya Fitterer (717) 787-8529
Committee:	State Government	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Sponsor:	Hill-Evans, Carol		
Date:	8/28/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Designates November 15, 2026, as "Articles of Confederation Day" in Pennsylvania and recognizes the City of York for its contribution in forging our nation.

C. Analysis of the Bill

This resolution would designate November 15, 2026, as "Articles of Confederation Day" in Pennsylvania, and recognizes the City of York, York County, for its important contribution to the forging of our nation.

Effective Date:

Upon adoption.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

None.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

2025-2026 Session:

House Resolution 342 (Hill-Evans) was adopted on November 19, 2025, by a vote of 200-3.

2023-2024 Session:

House Resolution 161 (Hill-Evans) was adopted on November 15, 2023, by a vote of 201-2.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 599 Session of
2026

INTRODUCED BY HILL-EVANS, GREINER, STAMBAUGH, SANCHEZ, GUENST,
HOWARD, BRENNAN, ANDERSON, RIVERA, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, SAMUELSON,
PASHINSKI, MALAGARI AND MENTZER, AUGUST 24, 2026

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, AUGUST 25, 2026

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating November 15, 2026, as "Articles of Confederation
2 Day" in Pennsylvania; and recognizing the City of York, York
3 County, for its important contribution to the forging of our
4 nation.

5 WHEREAS, The Continental Congress, in flight from British
6 troops advancing on Philadelphia, chose the City of York, York
7 County, as its refuge and met there from September 30, 1777, to
8 June 27, 1778, to direct national affairs during a critical
9 period in the American Revolution; and

10 WHEREAS, The Continental Congress adopted the Articles of
11 Confederation while in session in the York County Courthouse on
12 November 15, 1777, establishing the first constitution that
13 formally united the 13 colonies as one nation; and

14 WHEREAS, The Articles of Confederation guided the functions
15 of the national government until the enactment of the United
16 States Constitution in 1789; and

17 WHEREAS, The Continental Congress ratified both the Treaty of
18 Amity and Commerce and the Treaty of Alliance with France while

1 in session in the York County Courthouse on May 4, 1778; and

2 WHEREAS, These treaties marked the first official recognition
3 by a foreign power of the United States of America as an
4 independent country and helped secure a patriot victory in the
5 American Revolution; and

6 WHEREAS, The Continental Congress adjourned from the York
7 County Courthouse on June 27, 1778, and returned to Independence
8 Hall in Philadelphia after receiving word from General George
9 Washington that the British had abandoned the city; and

10 WHEREAS, November 15, 2026, is the 249th anniversary of the
11 adoption of the Articles of Confederation in the City of York,
12 York County; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate
14 November 15, 2026, as "Articles of Confederation Day" in
15 Pennsylvania; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
17 City of York, York County, for its important contribution to the
18 forging of our nation.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	HR0607 PN3853	Prepared By:	Maya Fitterer (717) 787-8529
Committee:	State Government	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Sponsor:	Sanchez, Ben		
Date:	9/2/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Designates the week of November 16 through 20, 2026, as "Certified Public Accountant Week" in PA.

C. Analysis of the Bill

This resolution would designate the week of November 16 through November 20, 2026, as "Certified Public Accountant Week" in Pennsylvania.

Effective Date:

Upon adoption.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

None.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

2025-2026 Session:

HR347 (Sanchez) was adopted on November 17, 2025, by a vote of 198-4.

2023-2024 Session:

HR549 (Sanchez) was adopted on October 8, 2024, by a vote of 200-1.

HR253 (Sanchez) was adopted on November 14, 2023, by a vote of 202-1.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 607 Session of
2026

INTRODUCED BY SANCHEZ, GREINER, PICKETT, GUZMAN, KEPHART,
VENKAT, GUENST, PROBST, HILL-EVANS, DOUGHERTY, CEPEDA-
FREYTIZ, DEASY, McANDREW, HAMM AND GALLAGHER,
SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the week of November 16 through 20, 2026, as
2 "Certified Public Accountant Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public
4 Accountants (PICPA) is the premier association of accounting and
5 finance professionals in this Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, PICPA was organized in 1897 and represents
7 approximately 15,000 certified public accountants (CPAs) in
8 public practice, industry, government and education; and

9 WHEREAS, The mission of PICPA is to serve the needs of its
10 members by promoting and maintaining high professional and
11 ethical standards of public accountancy; and

12 WHEREAS, PICPA is committed to protecting the interests of
13 the public; and

14 WHEREAS, CPAs of this Commonwealth are trusted advisors to
15 hundreds of thousands of taxpayers and businesses and help
16 foster economic growth in this Commonwealth; and

17 WHEREAS, CPAs of this Commonwealth provide career sessions to

1 students about business and the role of accountants; and

2 WHEREAS, PICPA also provides educational materials and
3 programs to enhance the financial literacy of the public;
4 therefore be it

5 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
6 week of November 16 through 20, 2026, as "Certified Public
7 Accountant Week" in Pennsylvania; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives extend sincere
9 appreciation to the CPAs of this Commonwealth for their services
10 to the people of this Commonwealth.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No: HR0632 PN3927
Committee: State Government
Sponsor: Bellmon, Anthony
Date: 9/25/2026

Prepared By: Maya Fitterer
(717) 787-8529
Executive Director: Hanna Yu

A. Brief Concept

Designates the week of October 5 through 9, 2026, as "National Voter Education Week" in PA.

C. Analysis of the Bill

This resolution would designate the week of October 5 through October 9, 2026, as "National Voter Education Week" in Pennsylvania.

Effective Date:

Upon adoption.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

None.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

None.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 632 Session of
2026

INTRODUCED BY BELLMON, VENKAT, WAXMAN, SANCHEZ, HOHENSTEIN,
HILL-EVANS, GIRAL, BRENNAN, DEASY, GUZMAN, PARKER, COOPER,
RIVERA, DOUGHERTY AND DUKES, SEPTEMBER 24, 2026

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the week of October 5 through 9, 2026, as "National
2 Voter Education Week" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, "National Voter Education Week" is a nonpartisan
4 initiative that helps all voters overcome barriers to casting
5 their ballots and encourages participation in our democracy; and

6 WHEREAS, "National Voter Education Week" is observed annually
7 during the first full week of October and helps voters,
8 especially those who are newly eligible, find their polling
9 place, understand their ballot and cast their vote with
10 confidence and ease; and

11 WHEREAS, Approximately 182,000 Pennsylvanians turn 18 years
12 of age each year, and young voters are a growing part of our
13 democracy and helping to shape the future of this Commonwealth;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Approximately 141,000 individuals 18 years of age in
16 Pennsylvania who are eligible to vote are not registered to
17 vote; and

1 WHEREAS, By comparison, 82% of adults 45 years of age or
2 older are registered to vote in this Commonwealth; and

3 WHEREAS, These figures highlight the importance of "National
4 Voter Education Week," which helps to ensure that eligible
5 Pennsylvanians have the knowledge and resources necessary to
6 cast their ballots; and

7 WHEREAS, Beyond empowering individuals to register to vote,
8 "National Voter Education Week" helps voters understand what is
9 on the ballot, whether for a high-profile Federal election or a
10 local election; and

11 WHEREAS, "National Voter Education Week" provides an
12 opportunity to promote accessible, accurate and nonpartisan
13 information about voter registration, voting procedures and
14 civic participation, thereby empowering voters to participate
15 confidently in elections and supporting our nation's democratic
16 process; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
18 week of October 5 through 9, 2026, as "National Voter Education
19 Week" in Pennsylvania.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	HR0638 PN3957	Prepared By:	Sam Allery (717) 787-8529
Committee:	State Government	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Sponsor:	Delozier, Sheryl and Hill-Evans, Carol		
Date:	9/30/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Recognizes the month of October 2026 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

C. Analysis of the Bill

The resolution would recognize the month of October 2026 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Effective Date:

Upon adoption.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

None.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes)

2025-2026 Session:

HR279 (Delozier, Hill-Evans) was adopted on October 29, 2025, by a vote of 200-3.

2023-2024 Session:

HR541 (Delozier) was reported as committed from the House State Government Committee on October 1, 2024, by a vote of 24-1. No further action was taken.

HR221 (Hill-Evans) was adopted on October 30, 2023, by a vote of 201-1.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 638 Session of
2026

INTRODUCED BY DELOZIER, HILL-EVANS, COOPER, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ,
DEASY, GALLAGHER, HOHENSTEIN, ISAACSON, KUTZ, LABS,
M. MACKENZIE, MAYES, McNEILL, PASHINSKI, RIVERA, SANCHEZ,
SCHEUREN, SHUSTERMAN AND STAATS, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 29, 2026

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of October 2026 as "Domestic Violence
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Beginning in 1989, the month of October was declared
4 as "National Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in the United
5 States; and

6 WHEREAS, The Department of Justice defines "domestic
7 violence" as "a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship
8 that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and
9 control over another intimate partner"; and

10 WHEREAS, Domestic violence is a significant issue in the
11 United States that affects more than 10 million people every
12 year; and

13 WHEREAS, According to the Pennsylvania Coalition Against
14 Domestic Violence (PCADV), one in three women and one in four
15 men experience domestic violence in their lifetimes; and

16 WHEREAS, Over the past decade, PCADV reports that more than
17 1,400 individuals were killed in this Commonwealth as a result

1 of domestic violence; and

2 WHEREAS, In 2024 alone, 104 individuals died as a result of
3 domestic violence in this Commonwealth according to PCADV; and

4 WHEREAS, Across the United States, PCADV reports that 20% of
5 pregnant women experience domestic violence during their
6 pregnancy; and

7 WHEREAS, Women with unintended pregnancies are two to four
8 times more likely to experience physical abuse compared to those
9 with planned pregnancies; and

10 WHEREAS, Homicide is the leading cause of death among
11 pregnant women in the United States; and

12 WHEREAS, The stress and trauma experienced by victims of
13 domestic violence can lead to depression, feelings of
14 hopelessness, sadness and withdrawal from social interactions;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Domestic violence disrupts the family structure and
17 creates an environment that breeds fear, mistrust and
18 instability; and

19 WHEREAS, Domestic violence normalizes unhealthy and abusive
20 relationships, leading to confusion with respect to appropriate
21 behavior and boundaries within a family; and

22 WHEREAS, According to the National Institutes of Health,
23 children who are exposed to domestic violence commonly grow up
24 to believe that violence is a reasonable approach to resolving
25 conflicts; and

26 WHEREAS, Various groups dedicated to providing resources and
27 support services for victims of domestic violence served more
28 than 3,000 victims in a single day in 2023; and

29 WHEREAS, PCADV estimates that the lifetime economic burden of
30 intimate partner violence in this Commonwealth is \$156 billion;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, PCADV's publicly accessible Internet website lists
3 various resources and support services for victims of domestic
4 violence throughout this Commonwealth; and

5 WHEREAS, The Office of Victim Advocate established the
6 Address Confidentiality Program for victims of domestic and
7 sexual violence as required by 23 Pa.C.S. § 6703; and

8 WHEREAS, Domestic violence public awareness can empower
9 victims by validating their experiences and encouraging them to
10 report acts of domestic violence to law enforcement before the
11 violence escalates; and

12 WHEREAS, By recognizing the month of October 2026 as
13 "Domestic Violence Awareness Month," the House of
14 Representatives can inform and educate the public about domestic
15 violence, its prevalence in this Commonwealth, its impact on
16 victims and families and the various resources and support
17 systems available to assist and protect victims; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
19 month of October 2026 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in
20 Pennsylvania; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commit to raising
22 awareness and providing resources to support and protect victims
23 of domestic violence in this Commonwealth.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE BILL ANALYSIS

Bill No:	HR0645 PN3981	Prepared By:	Sam Allery (717) 787-8529
Committee:	State Government	Executive Director:	Hanna Yu
Sponsor:	Daley, Mary Jo and Hill-Evans, Carol		
Date:	10/1/2026		

A. Brief Concept

Recognizes October 20, 2026, as "Domestic Violence Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania and honors the 50th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

C. Analysis of the Bill

The resolution would recognize October 20, 2026, as "Domestic Violence Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the work they have done for victims and survivors of domestic violence in Pennsylvania.

Effective Date:

Upon adoption.

G. Relevant Existing Laws

None.

E. Prior Session (Previous Bill Numbers & House/Senate Votes).

None.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 645 Session of
2026

INTRODUCED BY DALEY, HILL-EVANS, McNEILL, HOHENSTEIN, GUZMAN,
HANBIDGE, PROBST, DUKES AND MADDEN, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 1, 2026

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating October 20, 2026, as "Domestic Violence Awareness
2 Day" in Pennsylvania, in honor of the 50th anniversary of the
3 Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence.

4 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence
5 was founded in 1976 and is the oldest Statewide domestic
6 violence coalition in the nation; and

7 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence
8 annually serves 90,000 victims and survivors in all 67 counties,
9 reaching more than 3 million since 1976; and

10 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic
11 Violence, known for grassroots advocacy and organizing, began at
12 Susan Kelly-Dreiss' kitchen table in her home; and

13 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence
14 has led efforts in establishing or expanding the Family Violence
15 Prevention and Services Act, the National Resource Center on
16 Domestic Violence, the Protection from Abuse Act and the
17 Violence Against Women Act; and

18 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence

1 has launched national initiatives for data collection
2 surrounding lethality prevention, while creating the Lethality
3 Assessment Program to assist police officers in responding to
4 intimate partner violence; and

5 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence
6 has continued to advocate for victims and survivors for the last
7 50 years and plans to continue advocating on behalf of the same
8 victims and survivors for many years to come; and

9 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic
10 Violence, with the support from the Commonwealth, has expanded
11 to much more than grassroots advocacy, but continues work in
12 housing, prevention, systems advocacy and civil legal
13 representation; and

14 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence
15 echoes the nationwide domestic violence movement, demonstrating
16 that violence cannot be separated from the broader systems that
17 make people vulnerable; therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate October
19 20, 2026, as "Domestic Violence Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania,
20 in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Coalition
21 Against Domestic Violence; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
23 Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence for its ongoing
24 support for victims and survivors of domestic violence in this
25 Commonwealth.