

LEGISLATURE OF PENNSYLVANIA.

FILE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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1919.

INTRODUCED BY MR. RAMSEY, MARCH 17, 1919.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY GENERAL,
MARCH 19, 1919.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section one article eight of
of the Constitution of Pennsylvania

1 Section 1 Be it resolved by the Senate and House
2 of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in
3 General Assembly met That the following amendment to
4 the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is
5 hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article
6 thereof that section one of article eight which reads as
7 follows

8 "Section 1 Every male citizen twenty-one years of age
9 possessing the following qualifications shall be entitled to
10 vote at all elections subject however to such laws re-
11 quiring and regulating the registration of electors as the
12 General Assembly may enact

13 "First He shall have been a citizen of the United
14 States at least one month

15 "Second He shall have resided in the State one year
16 (or having previously been a qualified elector or native-

1 born citizen of the State he shall have removed there-
2 from and returned then six months) immediately preceding
3 the election

4 "Third He shall have resided in the election district
5 where he shall offer to vote at least two months, im-
6 mediately preceding the election

7 "Fourth If twenty-two years of age and upwards he
8 shall have paid within two years a State or county
9 tax which shall have been assessed at least two months
10 and paid at least one month before the election" be
11 amended so that the same shall read as follows

12 Section 1 Every citizen male or female of twenty-one
13 years of age possessing the following qualifications shall
14 be entitled to vote at all elections subject however to
15 such laws requiring and regulating the registration of
16 electors as the General Assembly may enact

17 First He or she shall have been a citizen of the
18 United States at least one month

19 Second He or she shall have resided in the State
20 one year (or having previously been a qualified elector
21 or native-born citizen of the State he or she shall have
22 removed therefrom and returned then six months) immedi-
23 ately preceding the election

24 Third he or she shall have resided in the election
25 district where he or she shall offer to vote at least
26 two months immediately preceding the election

27 Fourth If twenty-two years of age and upwards he or
28 she shall have paid within two years a State or county
29 tax which shall have been assessed at least two months

1 immediately preceding the election

2 Fourth If twenty-two years of age and upwards he
3 or she shall have paid within two years a State or
4 county tax which shall have been assessed at least two
5 months and paid at least one month before the election

6 Fifth Wherever the words "he" "his" "him" and "him-
7 self" occur in any section of article eight of this Con-
8 stitution the same shall be construed as if written re-
9 spectively "he or she" "his or her" "him or her" and
10 "himself or herself"