

## RESOLUTIONS

PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE  
COMMONWEALTH

(These resolutions were passed at the Legislative session of 1937.)

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## No. 1-B

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article eight of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto section eighteen.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:—

That article eight be amended by adding thereto the following section:—

Section 18. The Legislature may by general law provide a manner in which and the time and place at which qualified voters, who may on the occurrence of any election be unavoidably absent from the State or county of their residence because their duties, occupation or business require them to be elsewhere within the United States or who on the occurrence of any election are unable to attend at their proper polling places because of illness or physical disability, may vote, and for the return and canvass of their votes in the election district in which they respectively reside.

HARVEY HUFFMAN

President pro tempore of the Senate

ROY E. FURMAN

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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## No. 2-B

## A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto section four A.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:—

Section 4A. Notwithstanding any limitation hereinbefore provided, the General Assembly, irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars for the purpose of erecting, constructing, and maintaining flood control works and improvements including the cost of the acquisition of property necessary therefor, and for watershed protection.

ROY E. FURMAN

Speaker of the House of Representatives

HARVEY HUFFMAN

President pro tempore of the Senate

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No. 3-B

### A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article fourteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That article fourteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby amended to read as follows:—

Section 1. A new county shall not be created except by the consolidation of two or more existing counties. An existing county may be abolished and its territory annexed to one or more contiguous counties. The General Assembly shall by law provide for the consolidation and abolition of counties; but no existing county shall be consolidated with another and no county shall be abolished without the consent of the electors thereof.

Section 2. Counties shall be administered under such system of government and by such officers, except as in this article otherwise provided, as the General Assembly may by law provide. Optional systems of government may be provided for by the General Assembly, to become effective in a county only when accepted by the electors thereof.

Section 3. Three county commissioners shall be elected in each county in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and every fourth year thereafter. In the election of such officers, each elector shall vote for no more than two persons, and the three persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected. Any vacancy happening in the office of county commissioner shall be filled for the unexpired term by the court of common pleas of the county, by the appointment of an elector of the county who is a member of the same political party as was the person whose place is to be filled. In each county there shall also be elected a controller, a sheriff, and a district