No. 29

## AN ACT

**HB 209** 

Amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, primary and election expenses and election contests; creating and defining membership of county boards of elections; imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, courts, county boards of elections, county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to elections," authorizing citizens age eighteen or over to vote and further providing for residency requirements.

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

Section 1. Section 701, act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333), known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code," amended December 30, 1959 (P.L.2085), is amended to read:

Section 701. Qualifications of Electors.—Every citizen of this Commonwealth [twenty-one] eighteen years of age, possessing the following qualifications, shall be entitled to vote at all elections, provided he or she has complied with the provisions of the acts requiring and regulating the registration of electors:

- (1) He or she shall have been a citizen of the United States at least one month.
- (2) He or she shall have resided in the State [at least one year (or, having previously been a qualified elector or native born citizen of the State, he or she shall have removed therefrom and returned, then six months)] ninety days immediately preceding the election.
- (3) He or she shall have resided in the election district where he or she shall offer to vote at least sixty days immediately preceding the election, except that if qualified to vote in an election district prior to removal of residence, he or she may, if a resident of Pennsylvania, vote in the election district from which he or she removed his or her residence within sixty days preceding the election.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED-The 9th day of July, A. D. 1971.

MILTON J. SHAPP

The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 29.

C. DE Laver Pucker

Secretary of the Commonwealth.