No. 322

AN ACT

HB 2466

Amending the act of April 14, 1834 (P.L.333), entitled "An act relative to the organization of the Courts of Justice," providing alternative methods of selecting jury panels in fourth class counties.

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

Section 1. The act of April 14, 1834 (P.L.333), entitled "An act relative to the organization of the Courts of Justice," is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 87.1. Use of Electronic and/or Electro-mechanical Devices for Drawing Juries.—In counties of the fourth class, the jury commissioners may make its selections of citizens who shall be subject to jury duty by means of electronic and/or electro-mechanical devices commonly designated as data processing machines such as punch cards, electronic tape, random access files and other solid state devices when the same are available for its use.

Where such data processing equipment, devices, or cards are being so used, the jury commissioners may order that such aforementioned equipment, devices or cards or some of them, be used in the drawing of jury panels, in lieu of pieces of paper and jury boxes as otherwise provided in this act. In such case the jury commissioners shall direct the manner of use of such aforementioned equipment, devices or cards so as to provide for impartial drawings of the names of the persons to constitute the jury parels and for the preparation of the lists of the names so drawn.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED-The 6th day of December, A. D. 1972.

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The foregoing is a true and correct copy of Act of the General Assembly No. 322.

C. RE Laver Tucker

Secretary of the Commonwealth.