

No. 1979-1

## AN ACT

HB 17

Amending the act of October 4, 1978 (P.L.883, No.170), entitled "An act relating to conflicts of interest involving certain public officials serving in State or State agencies and local political subdivision positions and prohibiting certain public employees from engaging in certain conflict of interest activities requiring certain disclosures and providing penalties," changing the effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 14, act of October 4, 1978 (P.L.883, No.170), referred to as the Public Official and Employee Ethics Law, is amended to read:

Section 14. Effective date.

This act shall take effect January 1, 1979 except that ***subsections (b) and (e) of section 4 shall take effect August 1, 1979 and*** subsections (a) and (d) of section 4 shall take effect January 1, 1980: ***Provided, however, That the Ethics Commission shall have the power and duty to require the filing of the financial disclosure statements of candidates for elective office between August 1, 1979 and January 1, 1980 at least 60 days prior to such election, or in the case of a special election at least 15 days prior to such election.***

Section 2. (a) This act shall take effect immediately and shall be retroactive to January 1, 1979.

(b) Notwithstanding the effective date postponement of subsections (a), (b), (d) and (e) of section 4 hereof, any action taken pursuant to such subsections between January 1, 1979 and such postponement dates shall not be invalidated.

APPROVED—The 26th day of February, A. D. 1979.

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