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ELECTION LAW IN PENNSYLVANIA
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REPORT OF THE ELECTION LAW ADVISORY BOARD
for the year ending June 30, 2024

The fiscal year 2022-2024 was a year of change for the Election Law Advisory Board. The Board met in September 2023 and one topic was of particular concern – moving the date of the 2024 Presidential primary election from April to March.

A recommendation was made to the General Assembly and is included in this report. From November 2023 to January 2024, five members resigned from the Board, some because of employment changes and others due to redistricting. This reduced the citizen portion of the Board by nearly one-third. Appointments of replacements are pending, but Commission staff concluded that it would be inappropriate to meet and produce recommendations with so many vacancies remaining on the Board.

Accordingly, this report contains the following:

- Updates on activities affecting the board's recommendations as proposed in its 2021, 2022, and 2023 annual reports, as well as the January 2023 report on mail-in ballots.

- A brief summary of legislation introduced both federally and in Pennsylvania during the current sessions of Congress and the General Assembly that would affect Pennsylvania elections.
- Updates regarding on-going litigation in Pennsylvania, new developments in the laws of other states, and Department of State activities relating to election-related topics such as election audits, election administration, mail-in and absentee ballots, pre-canvassing, voter list maintenance, and voter registration.

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