

XI. Pennsylvania Fish Commission, . . . . .	275,000
Construction of Columbus Dam (GSA 199-22), . . . . .	275,000

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 14th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 452

AN ACT

Providing for the forfeiture of office of public officers convicted of certain crimes.

Public officers :  
forfeiture of  
office upon con-  
viction in certain  
cases.

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

Section 1. Any person, holding a public office in this Commonwealth, who pleads nolo contendere or guilty, or is convicted in a court of record of extortion, embezzlement, bribery, malfeasance or misfeasance in office, or fraudulent conversion of public moneys or property, or for any misdemeanor in office, shall forfeit his office, and the sentence imposed by the court shall include the direction for the removal from office of such person.

Supersedeas not  
a reinstatement  
unless directed  
by the court.

Section 2. No supersedeas granted in connection with any appeal from any sentence imposed in such criminal proceedings shall be effective to reinstate the appellant in office unless such reinstatement is specifically directed by special order of the court or judge granting the order of supersedeas.

Reinstatement  
upon verdict or  
final judgment of  
not guilty.

Section 3. In the event of a verdict or final judgment of not guilty, the official shall forthwith be reinstated in office.

APPROVED—The 14th day of August, A. D. 1963.

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No. 453

AN ACT

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," changing residence requirements for watchers.

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

Pennsylvania  
Election Code.

Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 417, act of June 3, 1937 (P. L. 1333), known as the "Pennsylvania Election Code," is amended to read:

Subsection (b),  
section 417, act  
of June 3, 1937,  
P. L. 1333,  
amended.

Section 417. Appointment of Watchers.—

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(b) All watchers so appointed *shall serve in only one district and* must be qualified registered electors of the [district] *municipality or township in which the district where they are authorized to act is located.* Only one watcher for each candidate at primaries, or for each party or political body at general, municipal or special elections, shall be allowed to remain in the polling place at any one time prior to the close of the polls, and all watchers in the room shall remain outside the enclosed space. After the close of the polls and while the ballots are being counted or voting machine canvassed, all the watchers shall be permitted to be in the polling place outside the enclosed space. Each watcher shall be provided with a certificate from the county board of elections, stating his name and the name of the candidate, party or political body he represents. Watchers shall be required to show their certificates when requested to do so. Watchers allowed in the polling place under the provisions of this act, shall be permitted to keep a list of voters and shall be entitled to challenge any person making application to vote and to require proof of his qualifications, as provided by this act. *All watchers so appointed as set forth above, who are to serve in a district other than the one from which they are registered electors, are to be appointed on petition to the court of common pleas. Said petition shall set forth that the watcher is a qualified voter of the municipality or township in which the district is located and that said watcher is a law abiding citizen and of good repute, and the court shall consider all factors relevant to said petition before granting or refusing same.*

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Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective  
immediately.

APPROVED—The 14th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON