(This Joint Resolution No. 1 was passed for the first time at the Legislative Session of 1963 and for the second time at the Legislative Session of 1965.)

No. 1

A JOINT RESOLUTION

HB 137

Proposing an amendment to article five, section fifteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the temporary assignment of certain former judges for the disposal of court business.

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

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:

That section fifteen article five of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended to read:

Section 15. All judges required to be learned in the law, except the judges of the Supreme Court, shall be elected by the qualified electors of the respective districts over which they are to preside, and shall hold their offices for the period of ten years, if they shall so long behave themselves well; but for any reasonable cause, which shall not be sufficient ground for impeachment, the Governor may remove any of them on the address of two-thirds of each House of General Assembly.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may designate and assign former judges, learned in the law, who are willing so to do, who have served at least one term and who have not been defeated for reelection, to the office of judge of any court of record, to temporarily sit in the courts of any judicial district for the disposal of business under such circumstances and subject to such qualifications and conditions as the General Assembly may prescribe.

(This Joint Resolution was passed for the first time at the Legislative Session of 1963 as Joint Resolution No. 6.)