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By Assemblywoman HIGGINS, Assemblymen BATEMAN and MUSTO

Referred to Committee on Revision and Amendment of Laws

AN ACT creating an Election Law Revision Commission, prescribing its powers and duties, repealing chapter 81 of the laws of 1961, and making an appropriation therefor.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New*
2 *Jersey:*

1 1. There is hereby created an Election Law Revision Commission, which
2 shall consist of 12 members, 4 members to be appointed by the Governor, no
3 more than 2 of whom shall be of the same political party, 2 members of the
4 Senate and 2 citizens of the State, to be appointed by the President of the
5 Senate and 2 members of the General Assembly and 2 citizens of the State
6 to be appointed by the Speaker of the General Assembly, of which no more
7 than one of each group of 2 shall be of the same political party.

1 2. Each of the members of the commission appointed from either House
2 of the Legislature shall serve so long, only, as he shall be a member of that
3 House and all members shall serve for terms of 2 years and until their re-
4 spective successors shall be appointed and shall qualify. Vacancies in the
5 membership of the commission shall be filled in the same manner as the
6 original appointments were made.

1 3. The commission shall organize as soon as may be after the appoint-
2 ment of its members and shall elect a chairman from among its members
3 and shall appoint a secretary who need not be a member of the commission.

1 4. It shall be the duty of said commission to make a study of the statutes
2 relating to elections and in so doing it shall have power to call upon State,
3 municipal and county officials for their co-operation in advancing the com-
4 mission's work and to conduct hearings from time to time in an effort to
5 ascertain in what respect the election law should be simplified, correlated and
6 revised.

1 5. The commission shall make such recommendation as it shall deem
2 proper and prepare and submit to the Legislature for its action thereon such
3 legislation as it shall deem necessary or desirable to accomplish said purpose
4 but it shall not submit to the Legislature any general revision of the election
5 law in which major substantive changes in said law are proposed to be made
6 unless it shall first have submitted such changes to the Legislature in the
7 form of amendments or supplements to the present statutes and such changes
8 shall have been approved by the Legislature by the enactment of such amend-
9 atory or supplemental legislation.

1 6. The commission shall make its final report to the Governor and the
2 Legislature not later than at the 1965 Session of the Legislature accompany-
3 ing its report with its final proposed revision of the election law.

1 7. In the performance of said work the commission shall establish and
2 maintain a working staff and said work shall be performed under the general
3 supervision, as to form, arrangement and classification of revised material,
4 of the Law Revision and Legislative Services Commission or an officer or
5 employee thereof designated by said commission, in order that the integrity
6 of the general arrangement and classification adopted in the Revised Statutes
7 may be maintained but said work in all other respects shall at all times be
8 under the supervision and control of the commission constituted by this act.

1 8. The commission shall be entitled to call to its assistance and avail
2 itself of the services of such employees of any State, county or municipal
3 department, board, bureau, commission or agency as it may require and as
4 may be available to it for said purpose, and to employ counsel and such
5 stenographic and clerical assistants and incur such traveling and other mis-

6 cellaneous expenses as it may deem necessary, in order to perform its duties,
7 and as may be within the limits of funds appropriated or otherwise made
8 available to it for said purposes.

1 9. The files and records of the former Election Law Study Commission
2 constituted pursuant to Joint Resolution No. 14 of the 1953 Session shall be
3 made available to said commission for use in the performance of its work.

1 10. There is hereby appropriated to the commission the sum of \$10,000.00
2 or so much thereof as may be necessary for said purpose to carry out the
3 purpose of this act.

1 11. Chapter 81 of the laws of 1961, is repealed.

1 12. This act shall take effect immediately.