

SENATOR FOR A DAY MOCK LEGISLATION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

NO. 5
Session of 2026

INTRODUCED BY _____ October 16, 2026

REFERRED TO SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

Voter Identification

Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

No person shall cast a vote in any election in Pennsylvania unless the person presents current and valid identification prior to voting.

Acceptable forms of identification shall be limited to those currently accepted for first-time voters under existing Pennsylvania law and include:

- Photo identification, including:
 - o Pennsylvania driver's license or PennDOT ID card
 - o ID issued by any Commonwealth agency
 - o U.S. passport
 - o U.S. Armed Forces ID
 - o Student ID (including digital/electronic)
 - o Employee ID

- Non photo identification, bearing the voter's name and address, such as:
 - o County voter registration card
 - o Non photo ID issued by Commonwealth or U.S. government
 - o Firearm permit
 - o Current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, or government check

A voter who cannot present acceptable identification at the polling place shall be entitled to cast a provisional ballot, which shall be counted only after satisfactory proof of identity and eligibility is provided to the county board of elections in accordance with law.

The Department of State shall establish procedures, forms, public notice, and administrative rules needed to carry out this amendment consistently and equitably.

If approved by the voters at referendum, this amendment shall take effect on January 1 of the year following the election in which it is ratified.

Summary Statement for Ballot

“Shall the Constitution of Pennsylvania be amended to require voters to present current valid identification—such as a driver's license, U.S. passport, student or employee ID, or a utility bill—before voting in any election, while allowing a provisional ballot with later verification?”