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PENNSYLVANIA VOTERS BEWARE YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO VOTE IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION UNLESS YOU HAVE A VALID PHOTO I.D.

On March 14, 2012, Governor Corbett signed a new law requiring all Pennsylvania voters to present photo identification to be able to vote. (ACT 18 of 2012). The new law, adopted largely along party lines (House 104-88, Senate 26-23), will take effect for the November 5, 2012 election.

Under the new Act, **every** voter must have a valid photo identification card to vote. This requirement applies even if you have been a registered voter in your area for many years. Election workers will require all voters to produce a valid photo I.D., before they can vote. If a voter does not have a valid photo I.D., they can vote a provisional ballot, but that ballot will only be counted if the voter can provide the County Board of Election an "acceptable" I.D. within six (6) days of the election.

What is a valid Photo I.D. under the new law? All I.D.'s must have a: name, photo, an expiration date that is current, and be issued by a governmental agency, an accredited Pennsylvania institution of higher learning or a nursing home.

The following I.D.'s are acceptable:

- Pennsylvania Driver's License
- U.S. Passport
- U.S. Photo I.D. issued to active and retired military
- U.S. Photo I.D. issued to military dependants
- Photo I.D.'s issued to employees of the Federal Government, Commonwealth, County Government or Municipal Government
- Photo I.D.'s issued by a Pennsylvania care facility such as a nursing home
- Photo I.D.'s. issued by an accredited Pennsylvania institution of higher learning
- PennDot Photo I.D.

If you do **not** have a current driver's license, a passport, or one of the authorized forms of identification, you can obtain a photo I.D. from PennDot. However, to obtain a PennDot photo I.D. you must do the following:

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