

**PERSIAN GULF CONFLICT VETERANS' COMPENSATION FUND
REFERENDUM**

Do you favor indebtedness by the Commonwealth of up to \$20,000,000 for the payment of compensation for service in the Persian Gulf Conflict of 1990-1991?

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**PLAIN ENGLISH STATEMENT
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ACT NO. 29 OF 2006**

The ballot question asks the voters of Pennsylvania whether they approve of the Commonwealth borrowing \$20 million to create a fund for the payment of compensation to veterans of the United States Armed Forces who served in the Persian Gulf Conflict and were Pennsylvania residents at the time of such service. The Persian Gulf Conflict was fought in 1990 and 1991 following the invasion of Kuwait by Iraq.

If the ballot question is approved, payments will be made from the Persian Gulf Conflict Veterans' Compensation Fund in the following amounts: (1) up to \$525 to a veteran of the Conflict; (2) \$5,000 to a veteran who was a prisoner of war in the Conflict; and (3) \$5,000 to the survivors of a veteran who died in the Conflict or from a wound, disease, or injury sustained during the Conflict.

Act No. 29 of 2006, which presents the ballot question to the voters, authorizes the Pennsylvania Adjutant General to create rules and procedures for administering payments from the Compensation Fund. If necessary to meet the obligations of the Fund, Act 29 authorizes the Governor to transfer money from the General Fund to the Compensation Fund and to reimburse the General Fund from other available funds.