

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Requesting that the Consumer Affairs Committee of the House of
2 Representatives study and investigate the possibility of
3 requiring smoke detectors in all public buildings,
4 particularly dormitories having sleeping areas.

5 WHEREAS, Over the last 20 years, the Commonwealth has had an
6 average of 300 fire deaths per year; and

7 WHEREAS, Fires represent a significant threat to public
8 property and revenues; and

9 WHEREAS, Studies indicate that approximately 50% of
10 individual homeowners have seen the value of including smoke
11 detectors in their homes; and

12 WHEREAS, In 1982 there was a 25% decrease in fire-related
13 deaths in Pennsylvania; and

14 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth's State educational system
15 represents one of Pennsylvania's most valuable asset; therefore
16 be it

17 RESOLVED, That the Consumer Affairs Committee of the House of
18 Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania initiate an

1 investigation into the possibility of requiring smoke detectors
2 in all public buildings, particularly dormitories having
3 sleeping areas; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings and
5 recommendations to the House of Representatives upon the
6 completion of its study.