

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY ZITTERMAN, JUNE 14, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JUNE 15, 1979

In the House of Representatives, June 14, 1979

1 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth Court at this time is scheduled to
2 review the legality of the merger and/or lease between the
3 Scranton State General Hospital and the Community Medical
4 Center; and

5 WHEREAS, The proposed merger and/or lease would terminate the
6 existence of a State facility specifically created and funded by
7 the General Assembly; and

8 WHEREAS, The Scranton State General Hospital is a major
9 provider of health care services in northeastern Pennsylvania
10 and is of vital importance to the public health and welfare;
11 therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That through this resolution the Department of
13 Public Welfare be directed to immediately cease and desist from
14 engaging in any and all activities related to said merger and/or
15 lease; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
17 appoint a select committee of five members, three of the
18 majority party and two of the minority party, to inquire into

1 and examine any and all matters and documents related to the
2 proposed merger and/or lease between the Scranton State General
3 Hospital and the Community Medical Center; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the committee may hold hearings; take
5 testimony and make its inquiries at such places as it deems
6 necessary; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That within 30 calendar days after the committee
8 has made its report, the chairman of the committee shall cause a
9 record of all expenses incurred by the committee, or the members
10 thereof, which are payable at Commonwealth expense, to be filed
11 with the Speaker of the House and the Speaker shall cause the
12 same to be entered in the journal thereof. No expenses incurred
13 by the committee or any member thereof shall be reimbursable by
14 the Chief Clerk unless such expense shall first have been
15 included as an expense item in the record heretofore required;
16 and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the committee shall report its findings
18 together with its recommendations for remedial legislation to
19 the House of Representatives as soon as practicable.