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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Establishing a committee to investigate Department of Aging 2 Directive #83-12.
- 3 WHEREAS, The Department of Aging has issued Directive #83-12
- 4 which requires competitive bidding on tangible client services.
- 5 These services include homemaker care, home-delivered meals,
- 6 etc.; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Many of the organizations which perform these
- 8 services are nonprofit, private social service agencies which
- 9 affects the interaction of clients, service deliveries,
- 10 volunteers and government; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Many of these nonprofit organizations have little or
- 12 no experience in the process of competitive bidding and may be
- 13 underbid by proprietary agencies. Such an action would mean the
- 14 abandonment of nonprofit agencies which have built a track
- 15 record over many years; and
- 16 WHEREAS, The initial cost may be lower, the long-range cost,
- 17 viewed in terms of quality of care and return on the dollar, may

- be much greater; therefore be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- 3 establish a committee to investigate Directive #83-12 to
- 4 determine if these contracts should be awarded to agencies on
- 5 criteria other than strict competitive bidding.