

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Joint State Government Commission to investigate
2 building codes.

3 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania does not have a
4 statute that provides for and establishes a State building code
5 that would uniformly regulate the construction of buildings in
6 all municipalities; and

7 WHEREAS, There are many municipalities in this Commonwealth
8 which presently have no ordinances or building codes regulating
9 the construction of buildings in order to protect the health,
10 welfare and safety of the occupants; and

11 WHEREAS, Rising construction costs may, in some cases, be
12 attributed to the wide variance in the requirements of the
13 municipal building codes which are in existence; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the Joint
15 State Government Commission to conduct an in-depth study of
16 building code practices, or the lack thereof, in Pennsylvania,
17 which studies shall include, in addition to any original

1 research, a review of the findings and recommendations of
2 already completed studies on the subject, and a review of prior
3 legislation on the subject considered by the General Assembly;
4 and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Joint State Government Commission report
6 its findings, which shall detail all factors studied and
7 reviewed that might be relevant to this issue, and its
8 recommendations, together with any appropriate legislation that
9 it deems necessary, to the House of Representatives as soon as
10 possible.