THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MARCH 10, 1987

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Memorializing Congress to adopt legislation to correct the
- 2 disparity and inequity of Social Security payments created by
- 3 the notch year formula.
- 4 WHEREAS, Under the Social Security automatic benefit increase
- 5 provision enacted in 1972, Social Security benefits began to
- 6 increase to unintended high levels because of what was seen as a
- 7 flaw in the benefit formula and, left unchanged, the 1972
- 8 formula would mean that benefits to retirees retiring at some
- 9 point in the future would be higher than their earnings had been
- 10 at the point of retirement; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The 1977 amendments to the Social Security automatic
- 12 benefit increase provision made significant changes in the
- 13 benefit formula, with the result that benefits for workers who

- 1 reached retirement age in 1979 would be significantly lower than
- 2 those for persons who retired in 1978, creating a situation in
- 3 which those persons born in 1917 or thereafter would receive a
- 4 notch less in benefits than those who were born previous to
- 5 1917; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Persons born after 1917 have served this country in
- 7 World War II and have contributed immeasurably to the growth and
- 8 development of America; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
- 10 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize Congress to adopt
- 11 legislation to correct the disparity and inequity of Social
- 12 Security payments created by the notch year formula.