
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 207 Session of
1989

INTRODUCED BY KOSINSKI, MRKONIC, DeWEESE, MELIO, McCALL,
PETRARCA, TRELLO, CORRIGAN, PISTELLA, PESCI, BELARDI, JAMES,
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COHEN, GIGLIOTTI AND FEE, OCTOBER 10, 1989

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, OCTOBER 10, 1989

A RESOLUTION

1 Memorializing Congress to pass legislation which requires the
2 Secretary of Defense to implement actions to appoint military
3 chaplains in representative proportion to the different
4 faiths represented among the total membership of the armed
5 forces.

6 WHEREAS, The Secretary of Defense has been empowered
7 traditionally to provide for the religious and spiritual needs
8 of members of the armed forces by appointing military chaplains;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, There exists an imbalance in the representation of
11 various religious faiths among chaplains of the armed forces as
12 compared to the representation of those faiths among members of
13 the armed forces as a whole; and

14 WHEREAS, This body is concerned that the men and women from
15 this Commonwealth who serve with commitment and gallantry in the
16 armed forces of this Nation should have the religious and
17 spiritual needs which arise during the course of their military
18 service served by a chaplain of their faith; therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
2 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize Congress to pass
3 legislation which requires the Secretary of Defense to implement
4 actions to appoint military chaplains in representative
5 proportion to the different faiths represented among the total
6 membership of the armed forces; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
8 the presiding officers of each house of Congress, to each member
9 of Congress from Pennsylvania and to all members of the
10 respective armed services committees of each house of Congress.