

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

1 Amending House Resolution No. 27, adopted March 19, 1991,
2 entitled "A resolution providing for the appointment of a
3 select committee to investigate nonprofit industrial
4 development corporations and to make recommendations for
5 legislation," further providing for report of committee.

6 RESOLVED, That House Resolution No. 27, adopted March 19,
7 1991, be amended to read:

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9 Providing for the appointment of a select committee to
10 investigate nonprofit industrial development corporations and
11 to make recommendations for legislation.

12 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority
13 Act of 1956 was passed to alleviate areas of critical
14 unemployment in this Commonwealth by promoting the development
15 of industrial enterprises by the expenditure of public money;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, The Redevelopment Area Economic Cooperation and
18 Implementation Act of 1961 was passed to implement the Federal
19 Economic Assistance Program and the expenditure of Federal

1 moneys in the same manner; and

2 WHEREAS, Actions by nonprofit corporations formed as
3 industrial development agencies under the authority of the
4 Industrial Development Authority Act fail to coordinate or take
5 into account regional economic planning goals; and

6 WHEREAS, Actions by nonprofit industrial development agency
7 corporations often result in drawing economic initiative away
8 from urban and disadvantaged areas; and

9 WHEREAS, Actions by nonprofit industrial development agency
10 corporations may fulfill their mission by drawing industry to
11 critical economic areas at the expense of other critical
12 economic areas; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
14 appoint a select committee of seven House members, four from the
15 majority party and three from the minority party, to investigate
16 regional decisions by nonprofit industrial development
17 corporations. The select committee shall study the problem and
18 make a determination as to what legislation, if any, would be
19 appropriate to curtail these actions; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the committee may hold hearings, take
21 testimony and make its investigations at such places as it deems
22 necessary in this Commonwealth. Each member of the committee
23 shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations to
24 witnesses appearing before the committee; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the expenses incurred by the committee in
26 carrying out its responsibilities, including, but not limited
27 to, per diem and travel expenses incurred by members and regular
28 staff, stenographic charges and other incidental expenses, shall
29 be paid from appropriate accounts under the control of the Chief
30 Clerk; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the committee shall report to the House of
2 Representatives on its activities, findings and recommendations
3 by [October 7, 1991] January 1, 1992, and shall issue interim
4 reports to the House of Representatives as the committee deems
5 necessary.