

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1778 Session of  
2003

INTRODUCED BY ZUG, GINGRICH, BEBKO-JONES, BROWNE, CREIGHTON,  
FABRIZIO, GOODMAN, HORSEY, JAMES, THOMAS AND YOUNGBLOOD,  
JULY 1, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JULY 1, 2003

AN ACT

1 Providing for the adoption of green as the Pennsylvania State  
2 color.

3 The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

4 (1) More than half of the Commonwealth consists of green  
5 space in the form of woods or fields or farms and agriculture  
6 is the number one industry in this Commonwealth.

7 (2) The official State tree is the hemlock, an  
8 evergreen.

9 (3) The official State seal contains a green stalk of  
10 corn and a green olive branch.

11 (4) The color green has played an integral part in  
12 Pennsylvania history as it is the color of "Penn's Woods" or  
13 "Penn's Sylvania," and Pennsylvania citizens are never more  
14 than 25 miles from a State forest in any part of this  
15 Commonwealth.

16 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
17 hereby enacts as follows:

1 Section 1. Designation.

2 The color green is hereby selected, designated and adopted as  
3 the official color of the Commonwealth.

4 Section 2. Effective date.

5 This act shall take effect immediately.