
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 495 Session of
2005

INTRODUCED BY RUBLEY, ARGALL, BAKER, BALDWIN, BASTIAN, BEBKO-JONES, BEYER, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CORRIGAN, COSTA, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, CRUZ, DALEY, DENLINGER, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, J. EVANS, FABRIZIO, FORCIER, FREEMAN, GEIST, GEORGE, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, HESS, KILLION, LEACH, LEDERER, MAJOR, MARSICO, MCGILL, MCILHATTAN, MILLARD, S. MILLER, MUSTIO, NAILOR, PALLONE, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, PISTELLA, QUIGLEY, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, REED, ROEBUCK, ROSS, SAINATO, SANTONI, SATHER, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHANER, SHAPIRO, B. SMITH, SURRA, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TIGUE, TRUE, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD AND ZUG, OCTOBER 31, 2005

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
OCTOBER 31, 2005

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of January 2006 as "Radon Action Month" in
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Exposure to radon poses significant health risks and
4 is considered to be the second leading cause of lung cancer next
5 to smoking; and

6 WHEREAS, Smoking combined with elevated indoor radon levels
7 is an especially serious health risk; and

8 WHEREAS, An estimated 40% of homes in this Commonwealth have
9 radon levels greater than the national guideline of 4.0
10 picocuries per liter annual average; and

11 WHEREAS, In this Commonwealth, 49 of the 67 counties have
12 predicted average indoor radon levels greater than 4.0

1 picocuries per liter; and

2 WHEREAS, As part of the Environmental Protection Agency's
3 2005 State Indoor Radon Grant (SIRG) program, the Department of
4 Environmental Protection is conducting a public awareness
5 campaign in connection with "National Radon Action Month"; and

6 WHEREAS, Under the SIRG program the Department of
7 Environmental Protection awards various Radon Awareness Grants
8 for projects to increase public and professional awareness about
9 health risks associated with radon exposure and the need for
10 increased testing and mitigation; and

11 WHEREAS, Grant recipients have included the American Lung
12 Association of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Association of
13 Broadcasters, the Eastern Regional Radon Training Center and
14 Central Penn Parent; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
16 month of January 2006 as "Radon Action Month" in Pennsylvania.