
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 936 Session of
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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
NOVEMBER 1, 2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of November 2012 as "Child Identity Theft
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, According to the United States Postal Inspection
4 Service, identity theft is America's fastest growing crime; and

5 WHEREAS, According to the United States Postal Inspection
6 Service, 9.9 million Americans were victims of identity theft in
7 2011; and

8 WHEREAS, According to the United States Postal Inspection
9 Service, losses incurred by Americans victimized by identity
10 theft totaled approximately \$5 billion in 2011; and

11 WHEREAS, The Federal Trade Commission testified before
12 Congress that child identity theft is especially pernicious
13 because the theft may not be detected until the child becomes an
14 adult and seeks employment or applies for a student or car loan;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, According to the Federal Trade Commission, an

1 identity thief may steal a child's personal identifying
2 information to get a job, government benefits, medical care,
3 utilities, car loans or a mortgage; and

4 WHEREAS, The Utah Office of the Attorney General has
5 instituted the Child Identity Protection program, a program to
6 help prevent identity thieves from using the personal
7 identifying information of children 16 years of age and under;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania children and their parents may benefit
10 from similar protections afforded to children in Utah; therefore
11 be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
13 month of November 2012 as "Child Identity Theft Awareness Month"
14 in Pennsylvania.