## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- Designating June 19, 2015, as "Summer Learning Day" in Pennsylvania.
- 3 WHEREAS, Summer Learning Day is a day to reflect on the
- 4 importance of keeping youth learning, safe and healthy every
- 5 summer and ensuring they return to school in the fall ready to
- 6 succeed in the year ahead; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Summer learning loss is a significant contributor to
- 8 the achievement gap, a gap which remains constant during the
- 9 nine months of the school year, but widens during the summer
- 10 months; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Summer learning programs are proven to maintain and
- 12 advance students' academic and social growth, keep children safe
- 13 and healthy during the summer and send young people back to
- 14 school ready to learn; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Summer youth employment programs engage older youth
- 16 in meaningful activities that allow them to explore careers of
- 17 interest, take on new responsibilities, contribute to their

- 1 community and earn money for the future; and
- 2 WHEREAS, A wide array of public agencies, community-based
- 3 organizations, schools, libraries, museums, recreation centers,
- 4 camps and businesses in our community contribute to the well-
- 5 being of youth through summer programming; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Summer learning is a critical component of our
- 7 collective effort to ensure all students graduate from high
- 8 school prepared for college, careers and life; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the Senate recognize the importance of
- 10 providing a safe learning environment for children after school
- 11 and during the summer months and support programs; and be it
- 12 further
- RESOLVED, That the Senate designate June 19, 2015, as "Summer
- 14 Learning Day" in Pennsylvania.