
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 435 Session of
2017

INTRODUCED BY TALLMAN, MILLARD, PICKETT, KAUFFMAN, JAMES,
V. BROWN, MURT, JOZWIAK, GROVE, D. COSTA, HILL-EVANS, KORTZ,
HENNESSEY, PASHINSKI, O'BRIEN, MOUL AND QUIGLEY,
FEBRUARY 10, 2017

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 10, 2017

AN ACT

1 Designating the apple as the official fruit of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Legislative findings.

6 The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

7 (1) Apples are grown in every county within this
8 Commonwealth.

9 (2) Adams County is the State's top apple-producing
10 county.

11 (3) Pennsylvania is the country's fourth largest
12 producer of fresh apples and processed apple products.

13 (4) Today, there are more than 21,000 acres of
14 Pennsylvania apple orchards.

15 (5) Approximately 35% of Pennsylvania's apples are grown
16 for fresh market while 65% are used for processed products
17 like applesauce, apple cider, apple juice, apple slices and

1 more.

2 (6) Apples are nutritious and are a good source of
3 fiber.

4 Section 2. Official designation.

5 The apple is designated as the official fruit of the
6 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

7 Section 3. Effective date.

8 This act shall take effect immediately.