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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

## No. 143

Session of  
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NOYE, FRYER, LAUDADIO AND RENWICK, JULY 23, 1975

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JULY 23, 1975

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In the House of Representatives, July 23, 1975

1       WHEREAS, There is a critical shortage of replacement jar lids  
2   for home canning making it difficult to obtain new lids for used  
3   jars. This shortage should be investigated in order to determine  
4   the reasons behind the low supply of replacement canning lids  
5   and what steps can be taken to insure that an adequate supply of  
6   replacement lids is made available; therefore be it

7       RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives  
8   appoint the members of the Agriculture Committee and the  
9   Consumer Protection Committee of the House of Representatives to  
10   investigate the cause of and find a solution to the shortage of  
11   replacement jar lids for home canning; and be it further

12      RESOLVED, That the committee may hold hearings, take  
13   testimony, and make its investigations at such places as it  
14   deems necessary. It may issue subpoenas under the hand and seal  
15   of its chairman commanding any person to appear before it and to  
16   answer questions touching matters properly being inquired into  
17   by the committee and to produce such books, papers, records and

1 documents as the committee deems necessary. Such subpoenas may  
2 be served upon any person and shall have the force and effect of  
3 subpoenas issued out of the courts of this Commonwealth. Any  
4 person who wilfully neglects or refuses to testify before the  
5 committee or to produce any books, papers, records or documents,  
6 shall be subject to the penalties provided by the laws of the  
7 Commonwealth in such case. Each member of the committee shall  
8 have power to administer oaths and affirmations to witnesses  
9 appearing before the committee; and be it further

10       RESOLVED, That within 30 calendar days after the committee  
11 has made its report, the chairman of the committee shall cause a  
12 record of all expenses incurred by the committee, or the members  
13 thereof, which are payable at Commonwealth expense, to be filed  
14 with the Speaker of the House and the Speaker shall cause the  
15 same to be entered in the journal thereof. No expenses incurred  
16 by the committee or any member thereof shall be reimbursable by  
17 the Chief Clerk unless such expense shall first have been  
18 included as an expense item in the record heretofore required;  
19 and be it further

20       RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings and proposed  
21 legislation, if such be necessary, to the General Assembly as  
22 soon as possible.