

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 262

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INTRODUCED BY RICHARDSON AND DUMAS, MAY 24, 1976

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MAY 25, 1976

In the House of Representatives, May 24, 1976

1 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
2 appoint a nine-member bipartisan committee, five from the
3 majority party and four from the minority party, to investigate
4 Temple University's feeble administration of its minorities
5 program and racist allegations made against the university, such
6 as failure to recruit enough black students and disproportionate
7 treatment of blacks as to hiring and treatment of maintenance,
8 custodial, professional and administrative personnel. Such
9 investigation shall strive to have a strong community input to
10 its deliberations; and be it further

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

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

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

19 RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings to the
20 General Assembly as soon as possible.