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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SCHWEDER, ZWIKL, RITTER, ZELLER, KANUCK  
AND KOWALYSHYN, APRIL 23, 1979

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON MINES AND ENERGY MANAGEMENT,  
APRIL 23, 1979

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In the House of Representatives, April 23, 1979

1 WHEREAS, The health and welfare of retarded citizens is of  
2 the utmost concern of the people of the Commonwealth; and

3 WHEREAS, The Chairman of the Food and Drug Administration's  
4 Bureau of Biologics has made a proposal that an experimental  
5 hepatitis vaccine be tested on retarded children; and

6 WHEREAS, The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of  
7 Pennsylvania believes such experimentation to be unethical and  
8 cruel; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly  
10 memorializes the Congress of the United States to enact  
11 legislation which would prohibit the Food and Drug  
12 Administration from testing an unlicensed hepatitis vaccine on  
13 retarded children; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the  
15 United States Senate and House of Representatives and to each  
16 United States Senator and Representative from Pennsylvania.