

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
AS AMENDED, APRIL 29, 1980

In the House of Representatives, March 18, 1980

1 WHEREAS, The House Select Committee - TMI found that the
2 evacuation of persons in the area of a nuclear emergency would
3 require the use of extensive temporary transportation equipment
4 and housing facilities; and

5 WHEREAS, The committee found that the public school system of
6 the Commonwealth could provide significant transportation and
7 temporary housing facilities; and

8 WHEREAS, The committee feels that, since nuclear power will
9 be one of the sources of energy in this country for at least the
10 foreseeable future, educational programs on nuclear energy in
11 the public school system would be beneficial to all the citizens
12 of the Commonwealth; and

13 WHEREAS, The committee found that the advance availability to
14 the general public of educational information concerning nuclear
15 energy and emergency preparedness would possibly have lessened
16 the confusion and misunderstandings which occurred during the

1 TMI incident; therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the
3 Department of Education to adopt plans to have available to the
4 appropriate emergency preparedness agencies necessary school
5 buses, school buildings and school equipment for use in the case
6 of required evacuation; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the Department of Education implement a plan
8 requiring educational programs in the public school system of
9 the Commonwealth relative to nuclear energy, radiation and
10 emergency preparedness; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Department of Education, and the
12 Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, with the cooperation
13 of the Public Utility Commission, review and plan to provide
14 educational information concerning nuclear emergencies through
15 the use of facilities of the power and communications utilities
16 operating in the Commonwealth, including the use of information
17 booklets in utility bills and information pages in telephone
18 directories; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES REQUESTS THE
20 SECRETARY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, THE
21 DIRECTOR OF THE PENNSYLVANIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND THE
22 CHAIRMAN OF THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION TO
23 INDICATE TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THREE MILE
24 ISLAND, IN WRITING WITHIN 30 DAYS FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF A COPY OF
25 THIS RESOLUTION, THE STATUS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH
26 HEREIN; AND BE IT FURTHER

27 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to
28 the Governor, the Secretary of Education, the Director of the
29 Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and the Chairman of the
30 Public Utility Commission.