

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2170

Session of
1984

INTRODUCED BY COLAFELLA, MAY 15, 1984

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MAY 15, 1984

AN ACT

1 Declaring and adopting the song "We Are the People," by David L.
2 Clark, as the State song of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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

5 Section 1. The song "We Are the People," by David L. Clark,
6 is hereby adopted as the State song of Pennsylvania and shall be
7 the official song for all public purposes. The words of the song
8 are as follows:

9 "WE ARE THE PEOPLE"

10 Verse 1:

11 You have blessed us with mountains and valleys, to reveal to us
12 your majesty and power.

13 You can see, Oh God, we expect you to give us a helping hand.

14 You have favored us with the Mountain Laurel flower, and we are
15 so grateful.

16 You can see, Oh God, we depend on you to provide our daily need.

17 Chorus:

1 We are the people who need a helping hand
2 We are the family who need your strength to stand.
3 We are the children who need a helping hand.
4 As life goes on we must try to get along.
5 You can see, Oh God, that we have a need.
6 We are the people, we are the people, oh yes.
7 We need a helping hand, someone to understand today.
8 Verse 2:
9 You have appointed us with the Hemlock tree and we are so
10 thankful.
11 You can see, Oh God, we believe you will guide us in all our
12 ways.
13 You have granted us with the Ruffled Grouse bird and we are so
14 delighted.
15 You can see, Oh God, without your help we limit ourselves.
16 (Chorus)
17 Verse 3:
18 You have destined us with virtue and liberty, and we are so
19 appreciative.
20 You can see, Oh God, that our hope and trust is forever in
21 Thee.
22 You have freshened our lakes and rivers with the Brook Trout
23 fish, and we are so obliged.
24 You can see, Oh god, we are gratified by the resources that come
25 from Thee.
26 (Chorus)
27 Verse 4:
28 You have beautified our forests and parks with the Whitetail
29 Deer, and we are so beholden.
30 You can see, Oh God, we regard our animal life in respect to

1 Thee.
2 You have enlightened our night season with the Firefly insect
3 and we are so excited.
4 You can see, Oh God, we accept Thy Word as a lamp unto our feet
5 and light to our pathway.
6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.