
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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HAGARTY, FISCHER, FLICK, GALLEN, GODSHALL, HERMAN, McVERRY,
HERSHEY, ROBBINS, E. Z. TAYLOR AND HESS, MARCH 10, 1987

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MARCH 10, 1987

A RESOLUTION

1 To create a commission of public and private cost-minded leaders
2 of this Commonwealth to study the management of current
3 government operations and make recommendations of cost-
4 cutting measures.

5 WHEREAS, The economic health of this Commonwealth is a top
6 priority; and

7 WHEREAS, The tax burden of this Commonwealth's citizens and
8 businesses resulting from the cost of government operations and
9 administration can have a significant impact on the economic
10 health of this Commonwealth; and

11 WHEREAS, State government has an obligation to fiscal
12 responsibility and limiting the tax burden it imposes; and

13 WHEREAS, Eleven cents of every public dollar spent is
14 committed to general government operations; and

15 WHEREAS, Further study is needed to find the optimal level of
16 government operation at the least cost; therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
2 appoint a government management and costs study commission of
3 leaders from business, labor, universities and government to
4 study the management of current government operations and make
5 recommendations in areas where costs can be cut; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That operation of the commission be patterned after
8 the commission known as the "Grace Commission," established by
9 presidential executive order and; be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the commission be comprised of 15 members,
11 with five members from the House of Representatives, including
12 three members from the majority party and two members from the
13 minority party; one member being a recognized leader of labor;
14 one member being a president of a university in this
15 Commonwealth; and the remaining members being leaders from large
16 and small business; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the committee make a report of its findings
18 and recommendations to the House of Representatives by April 15,
19 1988; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the necessary and reasonable costs and
21 expenditures of the commission be paid by the Chief Clerk, upon
22 an accounting properly made.