
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY MARKOSEK, SAURMAN, COWELL, JACKSON, SCHULER,
LaGROTTA AND RUDY, APRIL 3, 1989

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, APRIL 3, 1989

A RESOLUTION

1 Memorializing Congress to expand the criteria for Medicaid
2 reimbursement of the cost of Community Living Arrangements
3 for persons who have autism.

4 WHEREAS, Persons with autism are eligible, under Federal
5 guidelines, to receive Supplemental Security Income; and

6 WHEREAS, Eligibility for Supplemental Security Income
7 automatically renders them eligible for Medical Assistance; and

8 WHEREAS, Medical Assistance pays for the care of other
9 mentally disabled people in Community Living Arrangements; and

10 WHEREAS, This care is not reimbursable, under Federal
11 guidelines, for persons who have autism; and

12 WHEREAS, This dichotomy within Federal regulations excludes
13 autistic people from living in a supervised setting within the
14 community; and

15 WHEREAS, This Federal conflict is inequitable and needs to be
16 changed; therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
18 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the Congress of the

1 United States to address the issue of Medicaid reimbursement to
2 include autistic people among those eligible to receive
3 community-based residential care; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
5 the presiding officers of each house of Congress and to each
6 member of Congress from Pennsylvania.