

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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BROUJOS AND BURD, JUNE 5, 1989

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JUNE 5, 1989

A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Business and Commerce Committee to conduct a study
2 of the crisis in funding for future Weatherization Programs.

3 WHEREAS, Budget cutbacks are being considered for the
4 Weatherization Program for fiscal years 1989-1990 and 1990-1991;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, The principal funding mechanism for the state
7 Weatherization Programs, which is the Oil Overcharge Funds, has
8 been depleted and the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
9 (LIHEAP) has been cut on the Federal level, causing a serious
10 funding crisis; and, additionally, the Federal Department of
11 Energy weatherization funds have been cut back; and

12 WHEREAS, The Department of Community Affairs has indicated a
13 top priority status for resolving this serious funding crisis
14 for the fiscal year 1990-1991; and

15 WHEREAS, The General Assembly needs to be informed of the

1 impact of proposed cutbacks in this program and of potential
2 legislation that may be required; therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives, recognizing the
4 importance of the Weatherization Programs, direct the Business
5 and Commerce Committee to conduct a study of the crisis in
6 funding for future Weatherization Programs and the possible need
7 for legislative action; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the committee may hold hearings, take
9 testimony and make its investigations at such places as it deems
10 necessary in this Commonwealth. Each member of the committee
11 shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations to
12 witnesses appearing before the committee; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the committee shall report to the House of
14 Representatives on its activities, findings and recommendations
15 in six months, and shall issue interim reports to the House of
16 Representatives as the committee deems necessary.