

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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DeLUCA, DeWEESE, D. EVANS, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, GRUCELA,  
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SCHULER, SHANER, TIGUE, WOJNAROSKI AND YOUNGBLOOD,  
OCTOBER 15, 2002

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS,  
OCTOBER 15, 2002

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Memorializing Congress to enact the Paths to the Ohio Trail  
2 Study Act of 2002.

3 WHEREAS, The Paths to the Ohio Trail Study Act of 2002, H.R.  
4 5368, amends the National Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. § 1241 et  
5 seq.), designating historic transportation routes in  
6 Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia and Ohio for study for  
7 potential addition to the system; and

8 WHEREAS, Routes to the forks of the Ohio River in Pittsburgh  
9 used by British and French military forces at the time of the  
10 French and Indian War as well as canal systems, including the  
11 Pennsylvania Mainline Canal, and rail corridors are appropriate  
12 for inclusion in the system; and

13 WHEREAS, National Park Service designation of the growing  
14 trail network in western Pennsylvania as part of the National  
15 Trails System would highlight the historic significance of land

1 claimed and counterclaimed by the French and British in the 18th  
2 century and central to the United States' transition from an  
3 agrarian to industrial society through developments in  
4 transportation, coal mining and steelmaking; and

5 WHEREAS, National designation as a scenic trail or historic  
6 trail would further link major trails in the region, promoting  
7 regional economies and regional significance through tourism,  
8 recreation, including off-road hiking and biking, and  
9 conservation of natural and cultural resources; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
11 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorialize the Congress of the  
12 United States to enact the Paths to the Ohio Trail Study Act of  
13 2002.