
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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STERN, R. STEVENSON AND WATSON, OCTOBER 3, 2008

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, OCTOBER 3, 2008

A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Bipartisan Management Committee to establish a
2 process by which members and employees of the House of
3 Representatives make employee contributions for health care
4 benefits.

5 WHEREAS, Health care costs continue to rise, increasing twice
6 as fast as average wages in this Commonwealth; and

7 WHEREAS, The Senate has recently amended its health benefits
8 plan to require Senators and employees of the Senate to
9 contribute a portion of their salary for health care benefits;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, All employers, both public and private, who are
12 constantly seeking to maximize coverage while minimizing costs
13 must continuously determine an equitable means to share the cost
14 burden of health care benefits; and

15 WHEREAS, The taxpayers of this Commonwealth are ultimately
16 the employers of the members and the employees of the House of
17 Representatives; and

18 WHEREAS, Members of the House of Representatives and its

1 employees currently do not make any employee contributions for
2 health care benefits; therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the members of the House of Representatives
4 and its employees begin to make employee contributions for
5 health care benefits; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Bipartisan Management Committee be
7 directed to establish a process by which members and employees
8 of the House of Representatives make contributions for health
9 care benefits; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the process established provide for
11 contributions to be calculated as 1% of the cost of each
12 member's or employee's annual salary.