

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, APRIL 4, 2017

A RESOLUTION

1 Appointing and empowering the Judiciary Committee to make an
2 investigation.

3 RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth
4 of Pennsylvania, that the Judiciary Committee be authorized to
5 investigate the conduct of Mark Reese, the sheriff of Lancaster
6 County, to determine whether Mark Reese is liable to impeachment
7 for misbehavior in office and to report to the House of
8 Representatives the conclusions of the committee in respect to
9 the investigation and determination with its appropriate
10 recommendations; and be it further

11 ~~RESOLVED, That the Judiciary Committee designate the~~ <--
12 ~~Subcommittee on Courts to take testimony, review documents or~~
13 ~~other materials and interview witnesses for the use of the~~
14 ~~Judiciary Committee. The Subcommittee on Courts is authorized~~
15 ~~and empowered to make recommendations to the Judiciary Committee~~
16 ~~and, in the performance of its duties:~~

17 ~~(1) send for persons and papers and subpoena witnesses,~~

1 ~~documents, and other materials under the seal of the~~  
2 ~~subcommittee chairperson;~~  
3 ~~(2) administer oaths to witnesses;~~  
4 ~~(3) take testimony; and~~  
5 ~~(4) prepare and file pleadings and other legal~~  
6 ~~documents;~~

7 ~~and be it further~~

8 ~~RESOLVED, That, upon receipt of the recommendations of the~~ <--  
9 ~~Subcommittee on Courts,~~ the Judiciary Committee be authorized  
10 and empowered to:

11 (1) send for persons and papers and subpoena witnesses,  
12 documents and other materials under the hand and seal of the  
13 chairperson;

14 (2) administer oaths to witnesses;

15 (3) take testimony;

16 (4) prepare and file pleadings and other legal  
17 documents; and

18 (5) employ staff FOR THE USE OF THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE <--  
19 AND THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTS;

20 ~~and be it further~~

21 ~~RESOLVED, THAT THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE DESIGNATE THE~~ <--  
22 ~~SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTS TO TAKE TESTIMONY, REVIEW DOCUMENTS OR~~  
23 ~~OTHER MATERIALS AND INTERVIEW WITNESSES FOR THE USE OF THE~~  
24 ~~JUDICIARY COMMITTEE. THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON COURTS IS AUTHORIZED~~  
25 ~~AND EMPOWERED TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE~~  
26 ~~AND, IN THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS DUTIES:~~

27 (1) SEND FOR PERSONS AND PAPERS AND SUBPOENA WITNESSES,  
28 DOCUMENTS AND OTHER MATERIALS UNDER THE SEAL OF THE  
29 SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON;

30 (2) ADMINISTER OATHS TO WITNESSES;

1 (3) TAKE TESTIMONY; AND

2 (4) PREPARE AND FILE PLEADINGS AND OTHER LEGAL  
3 DOCUMENTS;

4 AND BE IT FURTHER

5 RESOLVED, That a sergeant-at-arms or his deputy shall serve  
6 the process of the Judiciary Committee and Subcommittee on  
7 Courts and execute their orders. The Judiciary Committee and  
8 Subcommittee on Courts are authorized to sit during the sessions  
9 of this House. The expenses of the investigation shall be paid  
10 ~~out of an appropriate account of the Chief Clerk, except that if <--~~  
11 ~~any staff expenses or compensation are to be paid by the Chief-~~  
12 ~~Clerk, the approval of the Bipartisan Management Committee shall-~~  
13 ~~be required.~~ BY THE CHIEF CLERK FROM APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS <--  
14 UNDER THE CHIEF CLERK'S EXCLUSIVE CONTROL AND JURISDICTION, UPON  
15 A WRITTEN REQUEST APPROVED BY THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
16 REPRESENTATIVES, THE MAJORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF  
17 REPRESENTATIVES OR THE MINORITY LEADER OF THE HOUSE OF  
18 REPRESENTATIVES.