THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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AS AMENDED IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, MARCH 24, 1976

In the House of Representatives, February 3, 1976

- 1 WHEREAS, Recently reports of events involving the travel
- 2 agency business have caused much public concern; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Many persons have been victimized by unscrupulous
- 4 business activities connected with the travel agency business;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Most travel agencies are operated by honest and
- 7 ethical people therefore the good are being branded together
- 8 with the bad; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- 10 order the Committee on Consumer Protection AND THE COMMITTEE ON
- 11 BUSINESS AND COMMERCE to conduct a study and investigate the
- 12 questions and concerns of the public relating to the travel
- 13 agency business; and be it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That the EACH committee may hold hearings, take
- 15 testimony, and make its investigation at such places as it deems
- 16 necessary within this Commonwealth. It may issue subpoenas under

- 1 the hand and seal of its chairman commanding any person to
- 2 appear before it and to answer questions touching matters
- 3 properly being inquired into by the committee and to produce
- 4 such books, papers, records and documents as the committee deems
- 5 necessary. Such subpoenas may be served upon any person and
- 6 shall have the force and effect of subpoenas issued out of the
- 7 courts of this Commonwealth. Any person who wilfully neglects or
- 8 refuses to testify before the committee or to produce any books,
- 9 papers, records or documents, shall be subject to the penalties
- 10 provided by the laws of the Commonwealth in such case. Each
- 11 member of the committee shall have power to administer oaths and
- 12 affirmations to witnesses appearing before the committee; and be
- 13 it further
- 14 RESOLVED, That within thirty calendars days after the EACH <--
- 15 committee has made its report, the chairman of the committee
- 16 COMMITTEES shall cause a record of all expenses incurred by the <-
- 17 committee, COMMITTEES, or the members thereof, which are payable <---
- 18 at Commonwealth expense, to be filed with the Speaker of the
- 19 House and the Speaker shall cause the same to be entered in the
- 20 journal thereof. No expenses incurred by the committee
- 21 COMMITTEES or any member thereof shall be reimbursable by the <---
- 22 Chief Clerk unless such expense shall first have been included
- 23 as an expense item in the record heretofore required; and be it
- 24 further
- 25 RESOLVED, That the EACH committee report its findings to the
- 26 House of Representatives as soon as possible.