
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY KERNICK, COHEN, PETRARCA, McCALL, CHESS,
KNIGHT, GRABOWSKI, B. D. CLARK, ITKIN, IRVIS, MANDERINO,
COWELL, AUSTIN, PISTELLA, MICHLOVIC, SHUPNIK AND
WARGO, MAY 2, 1979

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MAY 2, 1979

In the House of Representatives, May 2, 1979

1 WHEREAS, Both the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of
2 Transportation and the Governor of the Commonwealth pledge that
3 the department, in its attempt to restore a tarnished image
4 brought about by years of alleged corruption and mismanagement,
5 will be operated on a purely nonpolitical basis; and

6 WHEREAS, A substantial portion of the responsibility for
7 restoring that image through the issuance of fair, impartial and
8 informative news releases is vested in the Public Information
9 Office of PennDot; and

10 WHEREAS, The supervisor of that office, William Green,
11 through a politically motivated statement to the Penn Hills
12 Progress, a newspaper in Allegheny County, caused a false,
13 malicious and derogatory article to be published representing
14 Representative Phyllis Kernick's role in the replacement of the
15 condemned Milltown Bridge; and

16 WHEREAS, The aforementioned William Green admitted to

1 Representative Kernick he did not attempt to corroborate his
2 erroneous remarks by first determining the facts by contacting
3 either Representative Kernick or the proper officials in the
4 Department of Transportation; and

5 WHEREAS, William Green's conduct in releasing an unconfirmed
6 and defamatory story about Representative Kernick is contrary to
7 the best interest of the Pennsylvania Department of
8 Transportation; therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
10 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania petitions the Governor, the
11 Honorable Dick Thornburgh, to take whatever action is necessary
12 to remove William Green from his position in the Department of
13 Transportation; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a copy of this document be delivered to the
15 Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Honorable Dick
16 Thornburgh.