

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 122 Session of
1981INTRODUCED BY HASAY, PETRARCA, NOYE, PHILLIPS AND COSLETT,
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AS AMENDED, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, NOVEMBER 17, 1981

In the House of Representatives, October 27, 1981

1 WHEREAS, Section 381.31 of the United States Postal Service
2 Domestic Mail Manual requires first-class postage to be paid on
3 each individual letter when two or more persons or organizations
4 mail in one envelope, the bills, statements of account, or other
5 letters of individuals or organizations, to a mutual addressee;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, There is no mechanism, short of opening and counting
8 the letters in the envelope, to enforce this regulation; and

9 WHEREAS, The lack of an adequate method of enforcement of
10 section 381.31 has resulted in an arbitrary and haphazard
11 application of the law; and

12 WHEREAS, The weight of the letter is the primary means by
13 which postage of a first-class letter is determined; and

14 WHEREAS, It is the intent of the President of the United
15 States to provide regulatory ~~reform~~ the RELIEF FROM unnecessary, <—
16 cumbersome and unreasonable regulations; and

17 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania House of Representatives finds

1 section 381.31 of the Domestic Mail Manual of the United States
2 Postal Service unnecessary, cumbersome and unreasonable;
3 therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the
5 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania memorializes the President of the
6 United States, the Congress of the United States, the Postmaster
7 General of the United States Postal Service and the Board of
8 Governors of the United States Postal Service to repeal section
9 381.31 of the Domestic Mail Manual of the United States Postal
10 Service; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be forwarded to the
12 President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States
13 House of Representatives, the President of the United States
14 Senate, to each member of the Pennsylvania Congressional
15 Delegation, the Postmaster General of the United States Postal
16 Service and the Board of Governors of the United States Postal
17 Service.