THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Directing the Speaker of the House of Representatives to appoint
- 2 a bipartisan select committee to investigate the availability
- 3 of medical liability insurance.
- 4 WHEREAS, There exists widespread concern about the
- 5 availability of medical liability insurance; and
- 6 WHEREAS, It is extremely important to countless numbers of
- 7 patients to consider the effects the liability problem has on
- 8 the rendering of services to those patients; therefore be it
- 9 RESOLVED, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives
- 10 appoint a bipartisan select committee of seven members, four
- 11 from the majority party and three from the minority party, to
- 12 investigate the widespread problem of the availability of
- 13 medical liability insurance and to seek solutions to this
- 14 endemic problem; and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That the committee may hold hearings, take
- 16 testimony and make its investigations at such places as it deems
- 17 necessary in this Commonwealth. Each member of the committee
- 18 shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations to

- 1 witnesses appearing before the committee; and be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That the committee is authorized to hire such staff
- 3 and assistants as it deems necessary and the fees and expenses
- 4 therefor and the fees and expenses incurred by the committee
- 5 shall be paid from accounts under the control of the Chief
- 6 Clerk, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000; and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That the committee make a report of its findings
- 8 and recommendations to the House of Representatives by September
- 9 30, 1986.