

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to
2 undertake a study of the feasibility of State funding of the
3 use of cyclosporine for resident transplant patients.

4 WHEREAS, The number of Pennsylvania residents undergoing
5 organ transplant surgery is increasing steadily; and

6 WHEREAS, The costs associated with such surgery, including
7 post-operation medication, are burdensome, if not prohibitive,
8 in many instances; and

9 WHEREAS, The anti-rejection medication cyclosporine is
10 exceedingly expensive, but critical to increasing the chances
11 that the body will not reject the organ transplant; and

12 WHEREAS, It is desirable that an adequate amount of such
13 medication be made available at a reasonable cost; therefore be
14 it

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the
16 Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study of
17 the feasibility of State funding of the use of cyclosporine for
18 Pennsylvania resident transplant patients; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That such study include:

2 (1) a thorough investigation into the cost of
3 cyclosporine and the success ratio of transplants using such
4 medication; and

5 (2) recommendations as to what form State funding should
6 take and in what amounts;

7 and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings and
9 recommendations to the full House of Representatives as soon as
10 possible.