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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 248      Session of  
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MERRY AND PISTELLA, FEBRUARY 3, 1992

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, FEBRUARY 3, 1992

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Amending House Rule 18.

2       RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives amend Rule 18 of  
3 the Rules of the House of Representatives to read:

4                               RULE 18

5                       Introduction and Printing of Bills

6       Bills shall be introduced in quadruplicate, signed and dated  
7 by each member who is a sponsor of the bill, and filed with the  
8 Chief Clerk. A sponsor may be added or withdrawn upon written  
9 notice to the Speaker, Majority Leader, Minority Leader and the  
10 prime sponsor. In the case of withdrawals, the names shall be  
11 withdrawn if and when the bill is reprinted. If a bill is  
12 amended so that all of its provisions are stricken and new  
13 provisions are added, the names of all of the sponsors of the

1 bill shall be removed and replaced with the name of the sponsor  
2 of the amendment. Additional sponsors may be added only by the  
3 prime sponsor by providing written notice to the Speaker,  
4 Majority Leader and Minority Leader. Such notice shall include  
5 the signatures of those members desiring to be additional  
6 sponsors.

7 Bills introduced when received at the Chief Clerk's desk  
8 shall be numbered consecutively and delivered to the Speaker,  
9 who shall refer each bill to an appropriate committee. The  
10 Speaker shall report to the House the committees to which bills  
11 have been referred, either on the day introduced or received or  
12 on the next two legislative days the House is in session.

13 If the Speaker neglects or refuses to refer to committee any  
14 bill or bills (whether House or Senate) as above after  
15 introduction or presentation by the Senate for concurrence, any  
16 member may move for the reference of the bill to an appropriate  
17 committee. If the motion is carried, said bill or bills shall be  
18 immediately surrendered by the Speaker to the committee  
19 designated in said motion.

20 The first copy of each bill introduced shall be for the  
21 committee, the second copy shall be for the printer, the third  
22 copy shall be for the news media and the fourth copy shall be  
23 for the Legislative Reference Bureau.

24 Every bill, after introduction and reference to committee,  
25 shall be printed.

26 Bills may not be withdrawn after reference to committee.