

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1533 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY SCRIMENTI, TRELLO, KUKOVICH, CAPPABIANCA, HANNA,
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KREBS, LYNCH, PLATTS, DALEY, RUBLEY, WOGAN AND CIVERA,
MAY 5, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, MAY 5, 1993

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
2 of Pennsylvania, reducing the number of members of the House
3 of Representatives.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby resolves as follows:

6 Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of
7 Pennsylvania is proposed in accordance with Article XI:

8 That section 16 of Article II be amended to read:

9 § 16. Legislative districts.

10 The Commonwealth shall be divided into 50 senatorial and
11 [203] 149 representative districts, which shall be composed of
12 compact and contiguous territory as nearly equal in population
13 as practicable. Each senatorial district shall elect one
14 Senator, and each representative district one Representative.
15 Unless absolutely necessary no county, city, incorporated town,
16 borough, township or ward shall be divided in forming either a
17 senatorial or representative district.

1 Section 2. This amendment to the Constitution shall apply to
2 terms of office beginning December 1, 2002.

3 Section 3. The Commonwealth shall be reapportioned not later
4 than January 1, 2002, for the terms of office beginning December
5 1, 2002, based upon the tabulations of the 2000 Federal
6 decennial census.