THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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Session of 1995

INTRODUCED BY WOGAN, FAJT, PICCOLA, BIRMELIN, MAYERNIK, MASLAND, GANNON, O'BRIEN, CLARK, FEESE, SATHER, PITTS, D. W. SNYDER, LYNCH, FICHTER, MAITLAND, KING, WOZNIAK, TRUE, PLATTS, TIGUE, NAILOR, BUNT, DEMPSEY, STABACK, MARSICO, HUTCHINSON, B. SMITH, FLICK, TRELLO, GRUPPO, ARMSTRONG, CIVERA, BAKER, LEH, CLYMER, READSHAW, MILLER, CORNELL, SURRA, STERN, J. TAYLOR, DENT, DRUCE, PETTIT, BOSCOLA, RAYMOND, GODSHALL, FARGO, BROWNE, SCHULER, HABAY, MERRY, GEIST, PETRONE, BELARDI, KENNEY, ARGALL, NYCE, DELUCA, M. N. WRIGHT, FLEAGLE, NICKOL, S. H. SMITH, FARMER, EGOLF, E. Z. TAYLOR, BATTISTO, SEMMEL, McGEEHAN, TANGRETTI, GAMBLE, GLADECK AND MELIO, FEBRUARY 2, 1995

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, FEBRUARY 2, 1995

A JOINT RESOLUTION

- 1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
- of Pennsylvania, further providing for certain evidence
- 3 obtained under search warrants.
- 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 8 of Article I be amended to read:
- 9 § 8. Security from searches and seizures.
- 10 The people shall be secure in their persons, houses, papers
- 11 and possessions from unreasonable searches and seizures, and no
- 12 warrant to search any place or to seize any person or things
- 13 shall issue without describing them as nearly as may be, nor

- without probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation 1
- 2 subscribed to by the affiant. No evidence shall be suppressed if
- 3 <u>it has been obtained in objectively reasonable reliance on a</u>
- 4 <u>subsequently invalidated search warrant issued by a neutral and</u>
- 5 <u>detached issuing authority.</u>