

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,  
JUNE 5, 1995

## A RESOLUTION

1 Relating to maintaining the status quo at Tobyhanna Army Depot,  
2 Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, Tobyhanna Army Depot is the largest employer in  
4 Northeastern Pennsylvania; and

5 WHEREAS, Tobyhanna Army Depot employs over 3,500 individuals,  
6 providing approximately \$415 million a year into Northeastern  
7 Pennsylvania's economy; and

8 WHEREAS, The United States Department of Defense has listed  
9 Tobyhanna Army Depot as the best of such depots in the country;  
10 and

11 WHEREAS, The Department of the Army has indicated that the  
12 cost of duplicating Tobyhanna's features elsewhere would be  
13 prohibitive; and

14 WHEREAS, Tobyhanna's employees design, test, repair and build  
15 complex electronics for use by our military forces, the National  
16 Security Agency, our NATO partners and the White House

1 Communications Agency; and

2 WHEREAS, It is a fact that these highly trained employees,  
3 who have committed many years to serving our nation, would find  
4 extreme difficulty in finding comparable positions in the  
5 private sector if this depot is closed; and

6 WHEREAS, Hundreds of Tobyhanna workers volunteered for  
7 operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm; therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the  
9 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania urge the President of the United  
10 States, the Congress of the United States and the Defense Base  
11 Closure and Realignment Commission to suspend any further effort  
12 to close Tobyhanna Army Depot to ensure that this most important  
13 facility continues to provide the best service to the United  
14 States of America and that Tobyhanna Army Depot endures as the  
15 major employer of Northeastern Pennsylvania.