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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 47

Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY STEELMAN, CARONE, WALKO, PLATTS, KREBS, TIGUE,  
MUNDY, TRELLO, BATTISTO, LAUGHLIN, JOSEPHS, MANDERINO,  
MASLAND, LEVDANSKY, STEIL, YOUNGBLOOD, LUCYK, BELFANTI,  
WAUGH, SHANER, RUBLEY, BEBKO-JONES, VAN HORNE AND COLAFELLA,  
FEBRUARY 10, 1997

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, FEBRUARY 10, 1997

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A RESOLUTION

1 Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives by adding a  
2 rule relating to automatic calendars and floor votes.

3 RESOLVED, That Rules of the House of Representatives be  
4 amended by adding a rule to read:

5 RULE 21 (a)

6 Automatic Calendar, Floor Votes

7 Within 24 legislative days of when a bill is reported from a  
8 standing committee, a roll call vote in which the yeas and nays  
9 are taken concerning the disposition of said bill shall occur on  
10 second consideration, third consideration or final passage. The  
11 24-legislative-day period shall include any legislative days  
12 during which a bill was referred to the Appropriations Committee  
13 for a fiscal note pursuant to Rule 19 (a). The prime sponsor of  
14 a bill may waive the requirements of this Rule 21 (a) by written  
15 notice to the Speaker and the Majority Leader and the Minority  
16 Leader.

1     The requirement of this Rule 21 (a) that a roll call vote  
2     shall occur on second consideration, third consideration or  
3     final passage within 24 legislative days of when a bill is  
4     reported from a standing committee shall be null and void if the  
5     Appropriations Committee, upon being referred a bill for a  
6     fiscal note pursuant to Rule 19 (a), takes a roll call vote in  
7     which a majority of the votes cast are in favor of not reporting  
8     the bill out of committee.

9     Once a bill has been reported from a standing committee, said  
10    bill shall not be recommitted to a standing committee unless a  
11    majority vote of a roll call vote in which the yeas and nays are  
12    taken directs such a recommittal; however, a roll call vote in  
13    which the yeas and nays are taken shall not be required for a  
14    bill to be committed to the Appropriations Committee, pursuant  
15    to Rule 19 (a), for a fiscal note nor for a bill to be  
16    automatically recommitted to the Committee on Rules pursuant to  
17    Rule 22.