THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY ROHRER, STABACK, CAUSER, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DENLINGER, EVERETT, FAIRCHILD, GEORGE, GOODMAN, HALUSKA, HANNA, HESS, MOUL, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, ROAE, SAYLOR, SURRA AND VULAKOVICH, MAY 7, 2007

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, MAY 7, 2007

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to
- 2 contract for an independent study of the Pennsylvania Game
- 3 Commission's forestry and mineral development policies.
- 4 WHEREAS, Each fiscal year the operating budget of the
- 5 Pennsylvania Game Commission is composed of at least 16% of
- 6 revenues derived from royalty payments from mineral, oil and gas
- 7 leases and timber sales; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Over the previous five fiscal years the amount of
- 9 revenues derived from timber sales has varied from a low of
- 10 \$7.25 million to a high of \$16.4 million; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The members of the Game and Fisheries Committee of
- 12 the House of Representatives would like to determine if the
- 13 Pennsylvania Game Commission is maximizing the revenue potential
- 14 from timber sales and mineral, oil and gas leases consistent
- 15 with its primary responsibility for the management of the
- 16 wildlife of this Commonwealth; therefore be it
- 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the

- 1 Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to contract for an
- 2 independent study to determine if the Pennsylvania Game
- 3 Commission is maximizing the revenue potential from timber sales
- 4 and mineral, oil and gas leases consistent with its primary
- 5 responsibility for the management of the wildlife of this
- 6 Commonwealth; and be it further
- 7 RESOLVED, That this study be completed no later than June 30,
- 8 2008.