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## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY PIELLI, SANCHEZ AND BRENNAN, MAY 18, 2023

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, JUNE 5, 2023

## A RESOLUTION

Directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to study and make recommendations on implementing location-based pay for State government employees. 3 WHEREAS, Government wages must remain competitive to attract 4 5 the best talent into public service; and 6 WHEREAS, Cost of living varies across this Commonwealth, with <--7 costs particularly higher in southeastern Pennsylvania; and 8 WHEREAS, With wages uniform across this Commonwealth, State agencies, such as the Department of Transportation, have trouble-10 hiring and retaining employees in southeastern Pennsylvania; and 11 WHEREAS, The Federal Government, California and New York 12 already adjust salaries based on where government employees 13 work; and <--14 WHEREAS, Implementing location based pay would help alleviate 15 hiring and retention problems that State agencies face; 16 therefore be it 17 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the

Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study and

- 1 make recommendations on implementing location-based pay for
- 2 State government employees; and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That the study include:
- 4 (1) information on the cost of living by county and
- 5 metropolitan area across this Commonwealth;
- 6 (2) the impact that uniform Statewide wages have on the

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7 hiring and retention of employees, particularly in

## 8 southeastern Pennsylvania;

- 9 (3) different methods of implementing location-based pay
- in this Commonwealth, including by metropolitan area, by
- 11 county and by other geographic areas if useful;
- 12 (4) the fiscal impact of implementing location-based pay
- 13 based on the latest wage levels; and
- 14 (5) recommendations on implementing location-based pay
- in this Commonwealth for State government employees;
- 16 and be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee
- 18 use other studies and existing resources that may assist in
- 19 completing the study; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee
- 21 issue a report of its findings and recommendations to the House
- 22 of Representatives no later than one year from the adoption of
- 23 this resolution.