
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY SOLOMON, KENYATTA, RABB, HANBIDGE, MADDEN, HILL-
EVANS, GUENST, SANCHEZ, KRAJEWSKI AND GREEN, AUGUST 8, 2023

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, AUGUST 8, 2023

A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a
2 study on the development and implementation of a campaign
3 contribution reporting system that requires contributions to
4 be reported within 24 hours of receipt, establish an advisory
5 committee to assist with the study and issue a report of its
6 findings and recommendations to the House of Representatives.

7 WHEREAS, The amount of money in politics continues to
8 increase year to year and impacts campaigns and our system of
9 government; and

10 WHEREAS, The current finance disclosure process in this
11 Commonwealth creates long lags in the timely posting of campaign
12 contributions; and

13 WHEREAS, The people of this Commonwealth are entitled to
14 accurate and timely information about the individuals and
15 special interests that are funding a campaign; and

16 WHEREAS, By requiring campaign contributions to be reported
17 within 24 hours of receipt, voters will have the ability to
18 quickly determine how the contributors to a campaign impact the
19 support level for a particular candidate; and

20 WHEREAS, Requiring campaign contributions to be reported

1 within 24 hours of receipt will create a more informed, better
2 engaged electorate; therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the Joint
4 State Government Commission to conduct a study on the
5 development and implementation of a campaign contribution
6 reporting system that requires contributions to be reported
7 within 24 hours of receipt, establish an advisory committee to
8 assist with the study and issue a report of its findings and
9 recommendations to the House of Representatives; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That the advisory committee consist of the
12 following:

13 (1) the Secretary of the Commonwealth or a designee;

14 (2) one member appointed by the President pro tempore of
15 the Senate;

16 (3) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
17 Senate;

18 (4) one member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
19 Representatives;

20 (5) one member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
21 House of Representatives;

22 (6) two residents of this Commonwealth appointed by the
23 Governor with subject matter expertise on campaign finance
24 laws; and

25 (7) two residents of this Commonwealth with expertise
26 that will provide assistance to the Department of State in
27 developing technology allowing for the immediate uploading of
28 campaign contributions;

29 and be it further

30 RESOLVED, That the study by the Joint State Government

1 Commission, in collaboration with the advisory committee:

2 (1) identify the technology needed to implement a
3 reporting system in which campaign contributions can be
4 reported within 24 hours of receipt;

5 (2) identify best practices and rationale for the timely
6 reporting of campaign contributions; and

7 (3) include recommendations for legislative or
8 administrative action to implement the reporting system,
9 including recommendations for penalties for not reporting
10 campaign contributions within 24 hours of receipt;

11 and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Joint State Government Commission form the
13 advisory committee within three months of the adoption of this
14 resolution; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Joint State Government Commission issue a
16 report of its findings and recommendations to the House of
17 Representatives no later than one year after the adoption of
18 this resolution.