## LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

## RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Encouraging all health care practitioners in this Commonwealth
- to educate and discuss the warning signs and symptoms of Type
- 1 diabetes with the parents or quardians of each child under
- 4 their care.
- 5 WHEREAS, Diabetes is a chronic disease that affects an
- 6 estimated 29.1 million Americans, or 9.3% of the population, on
- 7 a daily basis; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Approximately 1.2 million adults and children in
- 9 this Commonwealth are living with diabetes and it is estimated
- 10 that over 517,000 Pennsylvanians are undiagnosed; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The prevalence of diabetes in this Commonwealth has
- 12 nearly doubled since 1995 and it is the 7th leading cause of
- 13 death in Pennsylvania; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Type I diabetes, previously called juvenile-onset
- 15 diabetes, occurs when the body does not produce insulin, a
- 16 hormone that is necessary to convert sugar, or glucose, into
- 17 energy; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Only 5% of diabetics have Type 1 diabetes and it is

- 1 typically diagnosed in children and young adults; and
- WHEREAS, With the help of insulin therapy and other
- 3 treatments, young children and adolescents can learn to manage
- 4 their condition and live long, healthy lives; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Education concerning Type 1 diabetes is critical in
- 6 raising awareness and in diagnosing and treating the condition
- 7 effectively; therefore be it
- 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives encourage all
- 9 health care practitioners in this Commonwealth to educate and
- 10 discuss the warning signs and symptoms of Type 1 diabetes with
- 11 the parents or guardians of each child under their care.