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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**HOUSE BILL**  
**No. 1266** Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY HAGARTY, REBER, NAHILL, BUNT, LASHINGER AND  
McCLATCHY, JUNE 27, 1983

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JUNE 27, 1983

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AN ACT

1 Declaring and adopting the song "Pennsylvania - Gee! It's  
2 Great!" music by Lou Leggieri and lyrics by Henry and Roberta  
3 Shaffner, as the State song of the Commonwealth.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. The song "Pennsylvania - Gee! It's Great!" music  
7 by Lou Leggieri and lyrics by Henry and Roberta Shaffner, is  
8 hereby adopted as the State song of Pennsylvania and shall be  
9 the official song for all public purposes. The words of the song  
10 are as follows:

11 Verse I

12 Gee! It's great!

13 Being from the State of Pennsylvania!

14 The homefolks there

15 Let you know they care in Pennsylvania

16 They've got the spirit in Philly,

17 The home of William Penn,

18 And in the Dutch County

1 The cooking's great--

2 and then some!

3 Verse II

4 From town to town

5 Up and down the State of Pennsylvania,

6 For some home-brewed apple cider's

7 Really worth the trip t'ya...

8 From Susquehanna to Schuylkill

9 They're filling everyone's cup

10 So join us all, and live it up in Pennsylvania!

11 Verse III

12 Gee! It's great

13 Being from the State of Pennsylvania!

14 The U.S.A. was born right here in Pennsylvania,

15 The Keystone of the Nation,

16 A land where freedom glows,

17 Where songs are sung and bells are rung,

18 And every school kid knows, that...

19 Verse IV

20 Gee! It's great

21 Being from the State of Pennsylvania!

22 For some home-brewed apple cider's

23 Really worth the trip t'ya...

24 From Allegheny to Altoona

25 They're filling everyone's cup

26 So join us all, and live it up in Pennsylvania!

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.