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A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Joint State Government Commission to study and
2 report on dividing the Public Utility Commission into two
3 separate entities.

4 WHEREAS, The increasing high costs of utility service is
5 having a greater adverse effect upon the economy and residents
6 of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

7 WHEREAS, The Public Utility Commission is empowered to
8 regulate a wide variety of utility enterprises; and

9 WHEREAS, The wide range of responsibilities exercised by the
10 Public Utility Commission dilutes MAY DILUTE its expertise and <—
11 reduces REDUCE its ability to effectively regulate all public <—
12 utilities; and

13 WHEREAS, The people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania would <—
14 MAY be better served by a regulatory body BODIES with more <—
15 strictly defined responsibilities; therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That the Senate of Pennsylvania directs the Joint
17 State Government Commission to investigate and prepare a report
18 within 180 days on the feasibility, benefits and costs of a

1 division of the Public Utility Commission into two separate  
2 entities, one to regulate transportation-related utilities and  
3 the other to retain all other current responsibilities of the  
4 Public Utility Commission.