

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REBER, CARLSON, JADLOWIEC, BUNT, STABACK, CIVERA, LASHINGER,  
ROBBINS, ALLEN AND S. H. SMITH, JUNE 13, 1989

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, JUNE 13, 1989

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Conservation Committee to investigate the supply  
2 and adequacy of landfill space and why certain counties are  
3 being targeted for intense landfill development.

4 WHEREAS, Everyone produces waste and everyone should be  
5 responsible for its disposal; and

6 WHEREAS, County waste planning is a portion of overall county  
7 planning as it relates to other economic, aesthetic and  
8 environmental planning needs of the citizens of each county; and

9 WHEREAS, The enactment of Act 101 of 1988 has required all  
10 counties to plan for waste disposal; and

11 WHEREAS, The large, populated counties and the waste disposal  
12 companies are looking to the rural counties of Pennsylvania to  
13 provide landfill space; and

14 WHEREAS, It appears that the counties in North Central  
15 Pennsylvania, particularly the counties of Clearfield and Elk,  
16 have been targeted by the waste giants as the perfect place for  
17 their waste dumps; and

1       WHEREAS, It is inequitable and unfair that the counties of  
2 Clearfield and Elk should bear the burden of being the waste  
3 dumps for the rest of this Commonwealth and the neighboring  
4 states; therefore be it

5       RESOLVED, That the Conservation Committee of the House of  
6 Representatives be directed to investigate the supply and  
7 adequacy of existing and future landfill space within this  
8 Commonwealth, investigate the procedures and authority under  
9 which waste from out of State is being disposed of in this  
10 Commonwealth, and investigate why the counties in North Central  
11 Pennsylvania, particularly the counties of Clearfield and Elk,  
12 are being targeted for intense landfill development; and be it  
13 further

14       RESOLVED, That the committee may hold hearings, take  
15 testimony and make its investigations at such places as it deems  
16 necessary in this Commonwealth. Each member of the committee  
17 shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations to  
18 witnesses appearing before the committee; and be it further

19       RESOLVED, That the committee report its findings to the House  
20 of Representatives as soon as possible.