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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, SEPTEMBER 18, 1989

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 Memorializing Congress to enact a moratorium on the collection  
2 of the unfair New York tax on nonresidents.

3 WHEREAS, The State of New York has amended its state income  
4 tax law to impose increased rates of taxation on the residents  
5 of other states who earn wages in New York; and

6 WHEREAS, Thousands of Pennsylvania residents are now being  
7 taxed by New York at rates that reflect all of their income,  
8 without regard to how it is earned and without regard to whether  
9 that income was earned under the protection of the laws of New  
10 York; and

11 WHEREAS, This new tax scheme has resulted in the taxation of  
12 Pennsylvanians who work in New York at rates entirely  
13 disproportionate to the services they consume or the benefits  
14 they receive from the State of New York; and

15 WHEREAS, This tax increase is a grossly unfair and  
16 inequitable attempt to balance New York's state budget on the  
17 backs of thousands of commuters from Pennsylvania, New Jersey

1 and Connecticut; and

2 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania must respond with whatever legal means  
3 are available to this extraordinarily callous and devious move  
4 by the State of New York; and

5 WHEREAS, S.800 and H.R.1096, which have been introduced in  
6 the Congress of the United States, would impose a moratorium on  
7 the collection of this unfair tax by the State of New York while  
8 a Presidentially appointed Interstate Taxation Commission  
9 studies appropriate forms of interstate taxation; therefore be  
10 it

11 RESOLVED (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly  
12 memorialize Congress to promptly enact legislation imposing a  
13 moratorium on the collection of unfair taxes by New York; and

14 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
15 the presiding officers of each house of Congress and to each  
16 member of Congress from Pennsylvania.