

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REBER, SEPTEMBER 18, 1989

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, SEPTEMBER 18, 1989

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Governor to take action against the State of New York  
2 for imposing unfair taxation upon residents of Pennsylvania.

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; therefore be it

5 RESOLVED (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly  
6 urge the Governor to pursue with the utmost determination all  
7 means available for alleviating this inequitable tax, including,  
8 but not limited to, legal challenge of New York's action and  
9 proposing and endorsing retaliatory legislation against New  
10 York residents who work in Pennsylvania; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution shall be transmitted  
12 to the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the  
13 Governor of the State of New York, the President of the Senate  
14 of the State of New York and the Speaker of the Assembly of the  
15 State of New York.