
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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Session of
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INTRODUCED BY McNALLY, ITKIN, CESSAR, PRESTON, WOZNIAK, TRELLO,
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PETRONE, KASUNIC, PETRARCA AND MURPHY, MARCH 15, 1993

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MARCH 15, 1993

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission to resolve the
2 issue involving the General Public Utilities and Duquesne
3 Light Company proposed high voltage power line.

4 WHEREAS, Seventeen months ago, on September 11, 1991, General
5 Public Utilities and Duquesne Light Company jointly petitioned
6 the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC) for permission
7 to site and construct a 268-mile-high voltage transmission line
8 from Beaver Valley to Harrisburg; and

9 WHEREAS, Extensive supporting data and maps were provided and
10 filed with the PUC in compliance with all regulations; and

11 WHEREAS, To date, over 50 public-input hearings have been
12 held by the PUC in 14 locations across Pennsylvania; and

13 WHEREAS, To date, the joint applicants have responded to over
14 1,300 interrogatories involving over 14,000 pages of
15 information; and

16 WHEREAS, To date, 14 days of evidentiary hearings have been
17 held; and

1 WHEREAS, To date, several states statutorily impose a nine-
2 month or a twelve-month requirement to decide all cases before
3 them; and

4 WHEREAS, The joint applicants seek to invest \$500 million in
5 improvements in Pennsylvania's infrastructure from the
6 construction of this line and reactivation of two idled power
7 plants; and

8 WHEREAS, Numerous property owners, ratepayers, labor unions,
9 businesses and joint applicants are anxiously awaiting a
10 decision; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives request the PUC
12 reach a final decision in this matter by either approving or
13 denying the siting and construction of this transmission line by
14 December 31, 1993; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge Chairman
16 David W. Rolka, or his appointed designees, to appropriate
17 whatever resources are available to the PUC to resolve this
18 matter in a fair, balanced and efficient manner.