
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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INTRODUCED BY LEWIS, GREENLEAF, AFFLERBACH, O'PAKE, SHUMAKER,
REIBMAN, STAPLETON, FATTAH, MUSTO, LAVALLE, PUNT, PECORA,
SALVATORE, LEMMOND AND HART, APRIL 19, 1993

REFERRED TO JUDICIARY, APRIL 19, 1993

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Joint State Government Commission to study on an
2 ongoing basis legislative proposals involving domestic
3 relations law and creating a task force.

4 WHEREAS, Numerous legislative proposals are from time to time
5 before the General Assembly which would amend Title 23 (Domestic
6 Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes; and

7 WHEREAS, Many other issues, not in legislative form, relating
8 to domestic relations law have come to the attention of the
9 General Assembly; and

10 WHEREAS, These proposals and issues raise significant
11 substantive and technical concerns regarding domestic relations
12 law; and

13 WHEREAS, Since Pennsylvania's domestic relations laws
14 recently have been consolidated in Title 23 (Domestic Relations)
15 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes as the Domestic
16 Relations Code, there is a need for a more coordinated review of
17 any proposed amendments in order to maintain the systemic
18 integrity of the Domestic Relations Code; and

1 WHEREAS, The various issues before the General Assembly
2 require a bicameral and bipartisan review and response;
3 therefore be it

4 RESOLVED (the House of Representatives concurring), That the
5 General Assembly direct the Joint State Government Commission to
6 undertake an ongoing study of the various issues relating to
7 domestic relations law; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That to accomplish this goal, a task force be
9 created comprised of the majority chairman of the Judiciary
10 Committee of the Senate and the majority chairman of the
11 Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives, who shall
12 alternate chairmanship of the task force, the minority chairman
13 of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate, the majority and
14 minority chairmen of the Aging and Youth Committee of the
15 Senate, the majority and minority chairmen of the Judiciary
16 Committee of the House of Representatives and the majority and
17 minority chairmen of the Aging and Youth Committee of the House
18 of Representatives; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an advisory committee be created to assist the
20 task force composed of individuals deemed appropriate by the
21 task force; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the task force shall, from time to time,
23 present its findings and recommended legislation to the General
24 Assembly.