
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 62

Session of
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INTRODUCED BY LYNCH, FORCIER, CLARK, HENNESSEY, LEH, STERN,
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HERSHEY, TIGUE, SAINATO, BELARDI, WRIGHT, BARD, PESCI, ROHRER
AND STEELMAN, MARCH 10, 1999

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES, MARCH 10, 1999

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 Directing a select committee to study the ramifications of
2 repealing The Local Tax Enabling Act and taxation provisions
3 of local government codes and authorizing local government
4 units to devise their own systems of taxation.

5 WHEREAS, Taxpayers across this Commonwealth are in desperate
6 need of local tax reform; and

7 WHEREAS, Local officials are in the best position to know the
8 desires of their residents for services and the ability of their
9 residents to pay local taxes; and

10 WHEREAS, Legislation may be proposed to repeal the act of
11 December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax
12 Enabling Act, and the taxation provisions of local government
13 codes; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly
15 form a select committee to study the ramifications of repealing
16 The Local Tax Enabling Act and taxation provisions of local
17 government codes and authorizing local government units to
18 devise their own systems of taxation; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the committee shall be comprised of six
2 members as follows:

3 (1) a member to be appointed by the President pro
4 tempore of the Senate, by the Majority Leader of the Senate
5 and by the Minority Leader of the Senate; and

6 (2) a member to be appointed by the Speaker of the House
7 of Representatives, by the Majority Leader of the House of
8 Representatives and by the Minority Leader of the House of
9 Representatives;

10 and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That these appointments are to be made within 30
12 days of adoption of this resolution by the Senate and the House
13 of Representatives; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the select 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 select
17 committee shall have power to administer oaths and affirmations
18 to witnesses appearing before the select committee; and be it
19 further

20 RESOLVED, That the select committee shall prepare a report
21 with findings and recommendations to the Finance Committee of
22 the Senate and the Finance Committee of the House of
23 Representatives. The report of the select committee shall be
24 submitted within six months of adoption of this resolution by
25 the Senate and the House of Representatives.