

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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# SENATE RESOLUTION

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Governor to establish a task force to study Internet  
2 voting.

3 WHEREAS, The use of on-line government services is constantly  
4 expanding and surveys have shown strong support for increasing  
5 these services; and

6 WHEREAS, Allowing people to vote by using the Internet has  
7 the potential to renew interest in voting, particularly among  
8 the young, thereby increasing voter turnout in elections; and

9 WHEREAS, While Internet voting has great potential, serious  
10 possible dangers accompany it, including privacy, security and  
11 legal issues; and

12 WHEREAS, Implementation of an Internet voting system will be  
13 a complex undertaking which must be done carefully to minimize  
14 difficulties; therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That the Senate urge the Governor, Thomas J. Ridge,  
16 to establish a task force to study the feasibility of using the  
17 Internet to conduct elections in Pennsylvania and to make a

1 report of its recommendations to the Governor and the General  
2 Assembly; and be it further

3       RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to  
4 Governor Thomas J. Ridge.