
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, JANUARY 26, 2010

A RESOLUTION

1 Appointing a committee and empowering it to make investigation.

2 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the General
3 Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, that the Judiciary
4 Committee is hereby authorized to investigate the conduct of the
5 Honorable Willis W. Berry, Jr., of the Court of Common Pleas of
6 Philadelphia County, and to determine whether the said Willis W.
7 Berry, Jr. is liable to impeachment for misbehavior in office,
8 and to report to the House the conclusions of the committee in
9 respect thereto with its appropriate recommendations; and be it
10 further

11 RESOLVED, That the Judiciary Committee shall designate the
12 Subcommittee on Courts to take testimony, review documents or
13 other materials and interview witnesses for the use of the said
14 committee, and said subcommittee is authorized and empowered to
15 make recommendations to said committee. And the said
16 subcommittee while so employed is authorized and empowered to
17 send for persons and papers, to subpoena witnesses, documents,

1 and other materials under the hand and seal of the Subcommittee
2 Chairman; to administer oaths to said witnesses, to take
3 testimony, and to prepare and file pleadings and other legal
4 documents; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That upon receipt of the recommendations of the
6 Subcommittee on Courts, the Judiciary Committee is hereby
7 authorized and empowered to send for persons and papers, to
8 subpoena witnesses, documents and other materials under the hand
9 and seal of the chairman; to administer oaths to said witnesses,
10 to take testimony, to prepare and file pleadings and other legal
11 documents and to employ staff; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a sergeant-at-arms, by himself or deputy,
13 shall serve the process of said committee and subcommittee and
14 execute its orders, and the said committee and subcommittee are
15 authorized to sit during the sessions of this House. The
16 expenses of this investigation shall be paid out of an
17 appropriate account of the Chief Clerk. However, if any staff
18 expenses or compensation are to be paid by the Chief Clerk, the
19 approval of the Bipartisan Management Committee is required.