
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 363 Session of
2011

INTRODUCED BY COHEN, CALTAGIRONE, DeLUCA, FREEMAN AND THOMAS,
JULY 18, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, JULY 18, 2011

A RESOLUTION

1 Establishing a select committee to improve revenue estimates.

2 RESOLVED, That a select committee to improve revenue
3 estimates shall be established to investigate the current
4 methodology used by the Budget Office and the Department of
5 Revenue to produce estimated revenue forecasts. This committee
6 shall investigate methodologies for revenue estimates used in
7 other states, methodologies recommended by academic researchers
8 and the benefits and limitations of different methodologies; and
9 be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the committee shall consider the impact of
11 revenue estimates on local governments, State employers and the
12 people of Pennsylvania. The committee shall consider how to
13 minimize the number of revenue estimates that prove to be
14 incorrect and to minimize the degree to which these revenue
15 estimates are off; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the committee shall have oversight of any
17 State entity that creates forecasts of State revenues. The

1 committee shall hold public hearings and shall have subpoena
2 power; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the committee shall consist of 13 members
4 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and 12
5 members appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of
6 Representatives; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the committee shall issue a preliminary report
8 no later than the date of the Governor's budget address in 2012.
9 The committee shall issue a final report by November 30, 2012.