
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 546 Session of
2012

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JANUARY 25, 2012

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35, JANUARY
25, 2012

A RESOLUTION

1 Commemorating the month of January 2012 as "Radon Awareness
2 Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The United States Surgeon General and a consortium
4 of health agencies throughout the United States have joined
5 forces to promote awareness of the leading cause of lung cancer
6 for nonsmokers; and

7 WHEREAS, The American Lung Association, the Centers for
8 Disease Control and Prevention and the National Cancer Institute
9 all agree that radon is a national health problem, and they
10 encourage radon testing of housing during an awareness drive
11 this January; and

12 WHEREAS, Radon is a naturally occurring, invisible and
13 odorless radioactive gas not isolated to certain geographical
14 areas or housing types, and radon problems have been detected in

1 homes in every county in the United States; and

2 WHEREAS, One in 15 American homes contains high levels of
3 radon, exposing millions of Americans to this dangerous gas, and
4 it caused more American fatalities last year than carbon
5 monoxide, fires and handguns combined; and

6 WHEREAS, If a home has not been tested for radon in the past
7 two years, the Surgeon General and the Environmental Protection
8 Agency urge household residents to locate a qualified radon test
9 kit or a qualified radon testing company and test their
10 residence for radon; and

11 WHEREAS, The month of January 2012 has been targeted as Radon
12 Awareness Month nationally, and educational information about
13 radon may be obtained at www.RadonWeek.org; therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives commemorate the
15 month of January 2012 as "Radon Awareness Month" in
16 Pennsylvania.