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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 717 Session of  
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INTRODUCED BY WOZNIAK, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF,  
ALLOWAY, FONTANA AND YAW, FEBRUARY 28, 2011

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REFERRED TO STATE GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 28, 2011

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AN ACT

1 Designating and adopting the Piper J-3 Cub as the official  
2 airplane of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, The Piper J-3 Cub was built in Lock Haven,  
4 Pennsylvania, between 1937 and 1947 and played a major role in  
5 the growth of the small aviation aircraft industry; and

6 WHEREAS, The Piper J-3 Cub was originally intended for flight  
7 training but became one of the most popular and best-known light  
8 aircraft of all time, prompting comparisons to the Ford Model T  
9 automobile; and

10 WHEREAS, During World War II, the Piper J-3 Cub was the  
11 primary trainer aircraft for the Civilian Pilot Training Program  
12 and by the war's end, 80% of all United States military pilots  
13 received their initial flight training in the Piper J-3 Cub; and

14 WHEREAS, After World War II, the Piper J-3 cub, built  
15 exclusively in Lock Haven, found new popularity with private  
16 pilots.

17 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
18 hereby enacts as follows:

1 Section 1. Official State airplane.

2 The Piper J-3 Cub is hereby designated and adopted as the  
3 official airplane of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

4 Section 2. Effective date.

5 This act shall take effect immediately.