
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, JUNE 10, 2013

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the President of the United States and Congress to
2 support the adoption of H.R. 1014.

3 WHEREAS, Approximately 1,800 Pennsylvania National Guard
4 Military Technicians may be subject to furlough as a result of
5 budgetary sequestration; and

6 WHEREAS, It is critical that the Pennsylvania National Guard
7 maintain training and readiness to ensure that the National
8 Guard is ready to answer the call when needed for domestic
9 operations; and

10 WHEREAS, All the military components are scrambling to absorb
11 \$47 billion in cuts throughout the Department of Defense,
12 including the furloughs of 800,000 civilian employees; and

13 WHEREAS, There is one group that justifies an exemption from
14 the cuts, National Guard Military Technicians; and

15 WHEREAS, The Pentagon exempted uniformed personnel from
16 sequestration to limit the impact of ongoing budget debates on
17 military readiness; and

1 WHEREAS, The Department of Defense, however, did not include
2 the approximately 53,000 National Guard Military Technicians
3 within the exemption; and

4 WHEREAS, There are 1,800 military technicians in
5 Pennsylvania; and

6 WHEREAS, These military technicians support the readiness for
7 troops in preparation not only for State emergencies but for
8 Federal missions as well; and

9 WHEREAS, H.R. 1014 is a bill that would exempt military
10 technicians from sequestration by including them in military
11 personnel accounts now and in the future; and

12 WHEREAS, The President of the United States, Congress and the
13 Department of Defense all agreed to exempt uniformed personnel
14 from sequestration to limit the impact on military readiness;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, The furlough of military technicians violates that
17 intent; and

18 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania National Guard does not desire to
19 furlough any military technicians if this can be avoided,
20 however, further congressional action is required to ensure no
21 furloughs are necessary nationwide for National Guard Military
22 Technicians and for Pennsylvania specifically now and in the
23 future; therefore be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the
25 President of the United States and Congress to support the
26 adoption of H.R. 1014; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
28 the President of the United States and to the presiding officers
29 of each house of Congress and to each member of Congress from
30 Pennsylvania.