
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 771 Session of
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READSHAW, ROTHMAN, RYAN, SONNEY, TOOHIL, WARD, WATSON AND
YOUNGBLOOD, MARCH 26, 2018

INTRODUCED AS NONCONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION UNDER RULE 35,
MARCH 26, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the month of April 2018 as "Child Identity Theft
2 Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

3 WHEREAS, According to the United States Postal Inspection
4 Service, identity theft is America's fastest growing crime; and

5 WHEREAS, According to the United States Postal Inspection
6 Service, more than 9.9 million Americans are victims of identity
7 theft annually; and

8 WHEREAS, According to the United States Postal Inspection
9 Service, losses incurred by Americans victimized by identity
10 theft totaled approximately \$5 billion; and

11 WHEREAS, According to a study conducted by ID Analytics, more
12 than 140,000 children are victims of identity theft annually in
13 the United States; and

14 WHEREAS, The Federal Trade Commission testified before the
15 Congress of the United States that child identity theft is

1 especially pernicious because the theft may not be detected
2 until the child becomes an adult and seeks employment or applies
3 for a student or car loan; and

4 WHEREAS, According to the Federal Trade Commission, an
5 identity thief may steal a child's personal identifying
6 information to get a job, government benefits, medical care,
7 utilities, car loans or a mortgage; and

8 WHEREAS, According to the Federal Trade Commission, misuse of
9 Social Security numbers can occur in cases where the victim is
10 as young as 14 years of age; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives recognize the
12 month of April 2018 as "Child Identity Theft Awareness Month" in
13 Pennsylvania.