
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 1002 Session of
2018

INTRODUCED BY CHARLTON, JUNE 21, 2018

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS, JUNE 21, 2018

A RESOLUTION

1 Endorsing and encouraging participation in the Valley Forge
2 Military College Legislative Appointment Initiative Program.

3 WHEREAS, The Valley Forge Military College Legislative
4 Appointment Initiative Program (Initiative Program) serves to
5 identify young men and women who possess or have demonstrated
6 the highest physical, intellectual, moral and leadership
7 potential and service-to-country-orientation and who have an
8 interest in attending the two-year, postsecondary educational
9 institution at Valley Forge Military College, the official
10 Military College of Pennsylvania and to help facilitate their
11 receipt of financial assistance to attend the college; and

12 WHEREAS, The Initiative Program may be used to complement the
13 Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) and the Early
14 Commissioning Program (ECP), and students who are accepted into
15 the ECP at Valley Forge Military College are commissioned as
16 officers in the United States Army upon graduation and are also
17 awarded a scholarship and earnings; and

18 WHEREAS, The Initiative Program is open to all men and women,

1 regardless of race, creed, ethnicity or nationality, who are
2 legal residents of this Commonwealth, who have successfully
3 completed and graduated from a secondary school and who are
4 believed to possess the intellectual, moral and leadership
5 potential and the skills or accomplishments to successfully
6 matriculate at the official Military College of Pennsylvania or
7 who otherwise meet the academic, intellectual, moral and
8 physical eligibility standards of the college; and

9 WHEREAS, Each representative is authorized to establish a
10 committee to select a legislative appointee to the freshman
11 class each year; and

12 WHEREAS, Upon acceptance, a certificate will be issued by
13 Valley Forge Military College evidencing the legislative
14 appointment and the member of the House of Representatives
15 whose committee selected the appointee; and

16 WHEREAS, Upon admission, each legislative appointee will be
17 required to take the oath of allegiance administered by Valley
18 Forge Military College to support and defend the Constitution of
19 the United States and of this Commonwealth; therefore be it

20 RESOLVED, That this resolution is intended to be a
21 continuation of the past practices of the House of
22 Representatives under the act of April 12, 2012 (P.L.232,
23 No.29), known as the State Military College Legislative
24 Appointment Initiative Program Act; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the guidelines used to govern local selection
26 committees to help ensure that the selection committees and
27 legislative appointments do not create any conflicts of interest
28 or otherwise violate 65 Pa.C.S. Ch. 11 (relating to ethics
29 standards and financial disclosure) or the act of July 10, 1968
30 (P.L.316, No.154), known as the Legislative Code of Ethics be

1 the guidelines developed by the State Ethics Commission under
2 the State Military College Legislative Appointment Initiative
3 Program Act; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That members of the House of Representatives
5 continue to establish local selection committees to identify and
6 select applicants for appointment in accordance with the
7 guidelines developed by the State Ethics Commission under the
8 State Military College Legislative Appointment Initiative
9 Program Act and the past practices of the House of
10 Representatives.