

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

No. 586 Session of 2004

INTRODUCED BY STURLA, McGEEHAN, VEON, BARRAR, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BISHOP, CAWLEY, CORRIGAN, COSTA, CRAHALLA, DALEY, DeLUCA, DENLINGER, DeWEESE, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, GEORGE, GERGELY, GOODMAN, HARHAI, HERMAN, KOTIK, LAUGHLIN, LEVDANSKY, MANN, McCALL, McILHATTAN, McNAUGHTON, MILLARD, S. MILLER, PALLONE, PAYNE, PETRARCA, PICKETT, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SCRIMENTI, SURRA, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO, WEBER, WHEATLEY, WOJNAROSKI AND YUDICHAK, MARCH 8, 2004

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, MARCH 8, 2004

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to
 - 2 investigate the outsourcing of jobs occurring within this
 - 3 Commonwealth.

 - 4 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth spends millions of dollars in
 - 5 public funds each year for a variety of services necessary to
 - 6 the operation and maintenance of State government; and
 - 7 WHEREAS, The Commonwealth has an interest in ensuring that
 - 8 services purchased are of a high quality and recognizes the
 - 9 importance of providing well-paying jobs for Pennsylvania
 - 10 workers and supporting Pennsylvania-based companies; and
 - 11 WHEREAS, Increasingly private vendors contract for
 - 12 governmental services or subcontract or otherwise procure these
 - 13 services from locations outside the United States, thereby
 - 14 weakening the national economy and the Pennsylvania economy and
 - 15 harming this Commonwealth, its workers and its businesses; and
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- 1 WHEREAS, Such international outsourcing exacerbates
 - 2 unemployment, deprives job opportunities to citizens of this
 - 3 Commonwealth and precludes State collection of revenue from
 - 4 those outsourced jobs; and
 - 5 WHEREAS, International outsourcing wastes financial resources
 - 6 expended by the Commonwealth to attract and keep industries and
 - 7 jobs in this Commonwealth; therefore be it
 - 8 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the
 - 9 Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to investigate the

10 effects of outsourcing jobs on the residents of this
11 Commonwealth and this Commonwealth's economy, including, but not
12 limited to, a study and report on the following: the level of
13 outsourcing of jobs within this Commonwealth; the contracts
14 involved in outsourcing; the names of the companies involved in
15 outsourcing; the dollar level of the contracts; the number of
16 jobs outsourced; the length of the contracts; and the names of
17 the companies that submitted bids on those contracts; and be it
18 further
19 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee
20 report its findings and recommendations to the House of
21 Representatives no later than three months following the
22 adoption of this resolution.