THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE RESOLUTION

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A RESOLUTION

Directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study of the statutory cap on the Pennsylvania State Police complement and issue a report of its findings 3 and recommendations to the Senate. 4 5 WHEREAS, The Legislative Budget and Finance Committee conducted a study on the statutory cap on the Pennsylvania State 6 Police complement in 1996 and a follow-up study on the need for 8 additional Pennsylvania State Troopers in 2001; and 9 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth has seen a growing population and 10 changed demographics since 2001, when the last study was 11 completed; and 12 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State Police have reported a 3.3% 13 increase annually of incidents handled; and 14 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State Police provide full-time or 15 part-time coverage for 66% of municipalities, 60% of roadways, 16 82% of land area and 26% of total population in this 17 Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania State Police are dedicated to the

protection of this Commonwealth and its residents; therefore be

- 1 it
- 2 RESOLVED, That the Senate direct the Legislative Budget and
- 3 Finance Committee to conduct a study of the statutory cap on the
- 4 Pennsylvania State Police complement and issue a report of its
- 5 findings and recommendations; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That the study update, as appropriate, the
- 7 information found in the follow-up study on the need for
- 8 additional Pennsylvania State Troopers completed in 2001; and be
- 9 it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the study assess whether or not there is a
- 11 need for increasing the statutory cap on the Pennsylvania State
- 12 Police complement, as well as whether or not there is a need for
- 13 additional troopers that do not fall under the statutory cap;
- 14 and be it further
- 15 RESOLVED, That the Pennsylvania State Police, Pennsylvania
- 16 Liquor Control Board, Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board,
- 17 Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission and any other necessary
- 18 agencies cooperate with the Legislative Budget and Finance
- 19 Committee as needed to complete the study; and be it further
- 20 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee
- 21 issue its report to the Senate within 14 months of the adoption
- 22 of this resolution.