
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE RESOLUTION

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COHEN AND GINGRICH, MARCH 18, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, MARCH 18, 2013

A RESOLUTION

1 Directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to
2 conduct a study concerning the consolidation of municipal
3 police departments in this Commonwealth.

4 WHEREAS, There are 1,124 municipal police departments serving
5 the citizens of this Commonwealth; and

6 WHEREAS, This Commonwealth currently faces a period of fiscal
7 concern that requires each department of State government to
8 consider avenues of potential reduction in costs and
9 expenditures; and

10 WHEREAS, One potential way to reduce costs while continuing
11 to ensure public safety is to consolidate or merge municipal
12 police departments; therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the
14 Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study
15 concerning the consolidation of municipal police departments in
16 this Commonwealth; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the study include an analysis of the funding
18 of municipal police departments and provide recommendations

1 necessary to improve the manner in which the funding is
2 allocated to the municipal police departments throughout this
3 Commonwealth; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee
5 provide recommendations concerning the municipal police
6 departments best suited for consolidation or merger; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee
9 submit the report to the chairman and minority chairman of the
10 Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives by December
11 30, 2013.