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# MEMORANDUM

**SUBJECT:** Resolution Cosponsorship  
**TO:** All House Members  
**FROM:** Representative Larry O. Sather

Recently, the Aging and Older Adult Services Committee held public hearings on the Older Adult Protective Services Law and the Protective Services System. Throughout the course of those hearings, it became apparent to me that there exists a very vulnerable population of citizens in the Commonwealth who do not have the protections afforded to them as do children and older adults.

Currently, individuals ages 18 through 59 in the Commonwealth who are at imminent risk of injury or death due to a physical or cognitive impairment, neglect, abuse or other incapacitating condition have no program of protective services available to them. Although many of these individuals are hard working, productive citizens, they are particularly vulnerable to injury or death from neglect or abuse as a result of some impairment or incapacitating condition. Given the success of our Child Protective Services and Older Adult Protective Services Systems in raising awareness on and combating the incidences of abuse and neglect, I believe that we need to examine the need for such a system to protect individuals between the ages of 18 and 59.

I am proposing a resolution that will direct the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study to examine the need for protective services for adults 18 to 59 years of age and to report back to the General Assembly with their findings and recommendations on how best to meet the needs of these vulnerable citizens.

If you would like to join me in cosponsoring this resolution, please contact Jennifer in my office at 787-3335 or by e-mail at [jhaines@pahousegop.com](mailto:jhaines@pahousegop.com).

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The Honorable John M. Perzel  
Majority Leader  
Room 110 – Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear John:

House Resolution 590, of which I am the prime sponsor, was introduced in the House and referred to the Rules Committee on June 3, 2002.

HR590 is a resolution that will direct the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study to examine the need for protective services for adults 18 to 59 years of age and to report back to the General Assembly with their findings and recommendations on how to best meet the needs of these vulnerable citizens.

I am respectfully requesting that HR590 be placed on the calendar for consideration by the full House in the coming week.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration to this request. Should there be any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

To: *Larry O. Sather*  
Larry O. Sather

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CC: Brian Preski, Chief of Staff  
Office of the Majority Leader

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*ON calendar for*  
*6/26 -*  
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