

No. R-285. Joint resolution authorizing 2012 Green Mountain Boys' State to conduct a civic education program at the State House.

(J.R.H.20)

Offered by: Representatives Koch of Barre Town, Lawrence of Lyndon, Conquest of Newbury, Crawford of Burke, Marcotte of Coventry, Smith of New Haven and Turner of Milton

Whereas, for many years, the Vermont American Legion has sponsored the annual Green Mountain Boys' State (Boys' State) civic education program, and

Whereas, Boys' State enables young men in high school to gain a firsthand experience and understanding of state government's procedures in all three branches of government, and

Whereas, a highlight of Boys' State is the day at the State House, featuring mock legislative committee meetings and chamber debate on proposed bills that focus on leading public policy issues, and students shadow senior officials in the executive and judicial branches, and

Whereas, legislative staff have offered their professional support services, helping the students gain a better appreciation of Vermont's legislative process, and

Whereas, in 2012, Boys' State is scheduled to convene at the State House on June 21, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly authorizes Green Mountain Boys' State to use the House and Senate chambers and the legislative committee meeting rooms on Thursday, June 21, 2012, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to the Vermont American Legion.