

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 142

Reps. Brixie, Miller, Byrnes, Rheingans, T. Carter, Rogers, Dievendorf, Price, MacDonell, Hoskins, Koleszar, Foreman, Longjohn, Morgan, Mentzer, Myers-Phillips, O'Neal, Neeley, Arbit, Martus, Wooden, McKinney, Hope, Tsernoglou, Breen, Xiong, B. Carter, Grant, Paiz, Wilson, Edwards, Snyder, Steckloff and Tate offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to urge the federal government to ensure  
2 continued funding, and reinstate staff, of the Low Income Home  
3 Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) as they negotiate the "One Big  
4 Beautiful Bill Act" so that Michigan can continue its Home Heating  
5 Credit Program.

6       Whereas, LIHEAP is a federally funded program that is designed  
7 to keep families safe and healthy through assistance programs that  
8 reduce the costs associated with home energy bills, energy crises,  
9 weatherization, and minor energy-related home repairs. One of the

1 programs available in Michigan through LIHEAP funding is the Home  
2 Heating Credit Program. This program specifically assists qualified  
3 Michigan homeowners and renters with paying some of their heating  
4 expenses; and

5       Whereas, In May 2025, President Trump submitted his  
6 recommendations on discretionary funding levels for the 2026 fiscal  
7 year. These recommendations included eliminating LIHEAP. This  
8 followed the firing of the entire staff within the United States  
9 Department of Health and Human Services that was responsible for  
10 administering LIHEAP funds. House Bill 1, named the "One Big  
11 Beautiful Bill Act," does not include funding for LIHEAP; and

12       Whereas, Elimination of federal LIHEAP funding would have  
13 severe impacts on Michiganders who depend on the Home Heating  
14 Credit Program. In testimony before the House Economic  
15 Competitiveness Committee, representatives from the Michigan  
16 Department of Treasury indicated that the program would not be able  
17 to continue without federal funding. In 2022, 248,765 Michigan  
18 taxpayers received benefits under the Home Heating Credit Program,  
19 including residents who are low-income, deaf, or disabled or blind,  
20 as well as those who are disabled veterans and senior citizens.  
21 Cutting LIHEAP funding would deny these constituents help that they  
22 desperately need; and

23       Whereas, Even if federal funding is appropriated for LIHEAP to  
24 continue, the firing of LIHEAP staff could result in significant  
25 payment delays, impacting at-risk recipients; now, therefore, be it

26       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the  
27 federal government to ensure continued funding, and reinstate  
28 staff, of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) as  
29 they negotiate the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" so that Michigan

1 can continue its Home Heating Credit Program; and be it further  
2 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the  
3 President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States  
4 House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States  
5 Senate, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.