

As Offered

**131st General Assembly
Regular Session
2015-2016**

H. R. No. 220

Speaker Rosenberger

A RESOLUTION

Relative to the election of Steven M. Arndt to fill the 1
vacancy in the membership of the House of 2
Representatives created by the felony guilty verdict 3
and conviction of Steven W. Kraus of the 89th House 4
District. 5

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
OHIO:**

WHEREAS, Section 11 of Article II of the Ohio Constitution 6
provides for the filling of a vacancy in the membership of the 7
House of Representatives by election by the members of the House 8
of Representatives who are affiliated with the same political 9
party as the person last elected to the seat which has become 10
vacant; and 11

WHEREAS, Steven W. Kraus of the 89th House District, elected 12
as a member of the House of Representatives of the 131st General 13
Assembly, was found guilty by a jury verdict of a felony on July 14
27 , 2015 and sentenced on August 25, 2015 as evidenced by the 15
guilty verdict and sentencing entries in State of Ohio v. Steven 16
W. Kraus, Ottawa County, CP Case No. 14CR150, is incompetent to 17
hold an office of honor, trust, or profit pursuant to Ohio Revised 18
Code § 2961.01 and Section 4 of Article V of the Ohio 19
Constitution thus creating a vacancy in the House of 20
Representatives; therefore be it 21

RESOLVED, By the members of the House of Representatives 22
who are affiliated with the Republican party that Steven M. Arndt, 23
Republican, having the qualifications set forth in the Ohio 24

Constitution and the laws of Ohio to be a member of the House of 25
Representatives from the 89th House District, is hereby elected, 26
effective September 30, 2015, pursuant to Section 11 of Article II 27
of the Ohio Constitution, as a member of the House of 28
Representatives from the 89th House District, to fill the vacancy 29
created by the unexpired portion of the term of said Steven W. 30
Kraus, ending on December 31, 2016; and be it further 31

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be spread upon 32
the pages of the Journal of the House of Representatives together 33
with the yeas and nays of the members of the House of 34
Representatives affiliated with the Republican party voting on the 35
resolution, and that the Clerk of the House of Representatives 36
shall certify the resolution and vote on its adoption to the 37
Secretary of State. 38