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# *Public Hearing*

before

## ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

### ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 102

*(Amends the State Constitution to permit mentally competent persons to voluntarily waive certain post-conviction procedures in death penalty cases)*

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**LOCATION:** Committee Room 12  
State House Annex  
Trenton, New Jersey

**DATE:** June 12, 1997  
2:00 p.m

#### **MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Assemblyman David C. Russo, Chairman  
Assemblyman Christopher "Kip" Bateman  
Assemblyman Michael Patrick Carroll  
Assemblyman Larry Chatzidakis  
Assemblyman Wilfredo Caraballo  
Assemblyman Charles "Ken" Zisa



#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Patricia K. Nagle

Robbie Miller

*Office of Legislative Services  
Committee Aide*

John D. Rogers

*Assembly Majority  
Committee Aide*

*Assembly Democratic  
Committee Aide*

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**ASSEMBLYMAN DAVID C. RUSSO (Chairman):** Now I would like to open the public hearing with regard to ACR-102, by Assemblyman Geist and Assemblyman Carroll, which amends the State Constitution to permit mentally competent persons to voluntarily waive certain post-conviction procedures in death penalty cases.

The hearing is now open to the public. Are there any witnesses to testify? (no response)

I have no statements. Seeing none, are there any comments-- The sponsor-- Well, I know that Assemblyman Geist is not here, he is at a hearing. Assemblyman Carroll, one of the sponsors, is here. We acknowledge your presence.

I don't see any comments from the Committee members, and with that in mind, I would close the meeting to the public.

Thank you.

**(HEARING CONCLUDED)**

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