

House Resolution 851

By: Representatives McClinton of the 68th, McKinney of the 51st, Ashe of the 46th, Orrock of the 56th, Sinkfield of the 57th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Joint MARTA Study Committee; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority is a crucial component of a
3 solution to the overall transportation needs of the Atlanta region; and

4 WHEREAS, the Authority was created by an Act approved March 10, 1965 (Ga. L. 1965,
5 p. 2243), which Act has been amended almost every year since its creation; and

6 WHEREAS, there is a need to review the laws relating to MARTA to determine whether any
7 reform, revision, or modernization of such laws is necessary and appropriate so as to better
8 fulfill the purposes of such laws and the transportation needs of this state.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
10 GEORGIA that there is created the Joint MARTA Study Committee to be composed of ten
11 members. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint five members of the
12 House of Representatives as members of the committee and shall designate one of such
13 members as cochairperson. The President of the Senate shall appoint five members of the
14 Senate as members of the committee and shall designate one of such members as
15 cochairperson. The cochairpersons shall call all meetings of the committee.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a comprehensive study
17 of the conditions, needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and
18 recommend any action or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate.
19 The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem
20 necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its
21 duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The legislative
22 members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8
23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. All funds necessary to carry out the provisions
24 of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the House of Representatives and

1 the Senate. The expenses and allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received
2 by any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are
3 authorized. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and recommendations,
4 with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before
5 December 1, 2002. The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2002.