

House Resolution 806 (AM)

By: Representatives Smith of the 169th, Ray of the 128th, Hudson of the 156th, Johnson of the 35th, Brooks of the 54th and others

A RESOLUTION

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

2 WHEREAS, a mixture of gasoline and ethanol, an alcohol derived from corn and other
3 vegetable sources, is said to burn cleaner in internal combustion engines than pure gasoline;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, unlike oil, ethanol is a renewable energy source; and

6 WHEREAS, the Ford Motor Company manufactures automobiles capable of using ethanol
7 in its Hapeville, Georgia, plant, but no facility exists in Georgia capable of producing
8 ethanol; and

9 WHEREAS, the existence of an ethanol generating facility in this state would provide
10 economic development benefits throughout the state and particularly in the rural areas, and
11 this state's farmers would especially benefit from such a facility; and

12 WHEREAS, the citizens of this state would benefit if an ethanol generating enterprise were
13 located in this state, and it would be wise and proper for this body to investigate ways of
14 acquiring such a facility.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 GEORGIA that there is created the Joint Ethanol Production Study Committee to be
17 composed of five members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker
18 of the House of Representatives and seven members of the Senate to be appointed by the
19 President of the Senate. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a
20 member of the House of Representatives who shall serve as chairperson of the committee.
21 The committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
2 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any actions
3 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
4 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
5 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
6 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
7 shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative
8 committees but shall receive the same for not more than seven days unless additional days
9 are authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come
10 from the funds appropriated to the House of Representatives and Senate. In the event the
11 committee makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for
12 proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December 31, 2002. The
13 committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2002.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
15 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the public and the press.