

Senate Resolution 170

By: Senator James of the 35<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Joint Study Committee on Expanding Old National Highway (SR 279); and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Old National Highway is a major thoroughfare in south Fulton County; and

4 WHEREAS, it is traversed daily by thousands of resident commuters; and

5 WHEREAS, as the number of residents in the surrounding area has increased as well as the  
6 number of businesses and churches which support the area, the volume of traffic on Old  
7 National Highway has increased beyond manageable capacity; and

8 WHEREAS, slow-moving or stalled traffic on Old National Highway is a daily hardship for  
9 motorists, even on weekends; and

10 WHEREAS, the traffic problems promise to continue unabated and will likely increase if  
11 projected growth rates for south Fulton County hold true.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY that there is  
13 created the Joint Study Committee on Expanding Old National Highway (SR 279) to be  
14 composed of three members appointed by the President of the Senate and five members  
15 appointed by the Speaker of the House. The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the  
16 House shall each designate a member of the committee to serve as cochairperson and call all  
17 meetings of the committee.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,  
19 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any actions  
20 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may  
21 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or  
22 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and

1 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee  
2 shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative  
3 committees but shall receive the same for not more than five days unless additional days are  
4 authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come  
5 from the funds appropriated to the General Assembly. In the event the committee makes a  
6 report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any,  
7 such report shall be made on or before December 31, 2001. The committee shall stand  
8 abolished on December 31, 2001.