

House Resolution 466

By: Representatives Murphy of the 18th, Buck of the 135th, Birdsong of the 123rd, Smyre of the 136th, Coleman of the 142nd and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging a moratorium on major airline industry mergers; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, economic development and prosperity are dependent upon a competitive airline industry providing reasonable rates, accessibility, and efficient service for the transportation of goods and services; and
- 5 WHEREAS, competition in the airline industry will be drastically reduced if pending mergers are allowed to proceed because these merger proposals will lead to further consolidation in the airline industry; and
- 8 WHEREAS, airline industry consolidation will decrease service and access in certain markets and localities and will hinder or prevent the entrance of new low-cost airline carriers into the market; and
- 11 WHEREAS, airline industry competition is essential to keep prices reasonable and service satisfactory for consumers and business travelers and the lack of competition will cause longer delays in air travel and decreased customer service; and
- 14 WHEREAS, these circumstances will have a negative impact on airline service and the overall economy in the State of Georgia.
- 16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that this body expresses concern over the prospect of decreased competition in the airline industry and the adverse economic impact on Georgia, the region, and nation as a whole and urges Congress to impose a moratorium on major airline industry mergers in order to fully and carefully consider all consequences.
- 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each member of the Georgia

1 delegation to the United States Congress and to the President of the United States, the
2 Attorney General, and the Secretary of Transportation.