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ADOPTED SENATE

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

3 industry providing reasonable rates, accessibility, and efficient service for the transportation

4 of goods and services; and

5 WHEREAS, competition in the airline industry will be drastically reduced if pending 6 mergers are allowed to proceed because these merger proposals will lead to further 7 consolidation in the airline industry; and

8 WHEREAS, airline industry consolidation will decrease service and access in certain 9 markets and localities and will hinder or prevent the entrance of new low-cost airline carriers 10 into the market; and

11 WHEREAS, airline industry competition is essential to keep prices reasonable and service

12 satisfactory for consumers and business travelers and the lack of competition will cause

13 longer delays in air travel and decreased customer service; and

WHEREAS, these circumstances will have a negative impact on airline service and theoverall economy in the State of Georgia.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body expresses 17 concern over the prospect of decreased competition in the airline industry and the adverse 18 economic impact on Georgia, the region, and nation as a whole and urges Congress to 19 impose a moratorium on major airline industry mergers in order to fully and carefully 20 consider all consequences.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each member of the Georgia delegation

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