

## House Resolution 645

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on Minority Business Enterprise; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, a move is under way to change and broaden the statutory definition of the term  
4 "minority business enterprise" as that term is used in Part 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the  
5 O.C.G.A. for purposes of representation in the area of procurement of state contracts for  
6 construction, services, equipment, and goods; and

7 WHEREAS, legislation is pending before the General Assembly which would specify the  
8 racial or ethnic groups to which such definition would be applicable and who would therefore  
9 be eligible to claim status as a minority business enterprise; and

10 WHEREAS, such legislative change may have widespread and long-range effects which are  
11 presently unforeseen; and

12 WHEREAS, a study is needed to evaluate and determine the full, potential implications of  
13 such change.

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
15 there is created the House Study Committee on Minority Business Enterprise to be  
16 composed of three members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker  
17 of the House of Representatives. The Speaker shall designate a member of the committee as  
18 chairperson of the committee. The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,  
20 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any actions  
21 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may  
22 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or  
23 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 three 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 House of Representatives. In the event the committee  
6 makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed  
7 legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December 31, 2001. The  
8 committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2001.