

House Resolution 225

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A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide for the creation of an
 2 intellectually disabled health and fitness support program fund and provide funds for the fund
 3 from the voluntary purchase of special license plates and other sources; to provide for related
 4 matters; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for
 5 other purposes.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Constitution is amended by adding a new
 9 subparagraph (m) to read as follows:

10 "(m) The General Assembly may provide by general law for the creation of an intellectually
 11 disabled health and fitness support program fund to develop new Special Olympics Georgia
 12 programs, to fund existing Special Olympics Georgia programs, and to provide direct aid
 13 to adults with intellectual and other developmental disabilities who need financial
 14 assistance in establishing an independent residence. In order to fund the program the
 15 General Assembly may provide by general law for the issuance of special license plates
 16 and for dedication of certain revenue derived from fees for such plates to the support of the
 17 program fund. All such dedicated revenue derived from such special license plate fees, any
 18 funds appropriated for such purposes, and any voluntary contributions or other funds made
 19 available for such purposes and all interest thereon shall be deposited in a special fund for
 20 support of the program, shall not be used for any purpose other than support of the
 21 program, and shall not lapse. The General Assembly may provide by general law for all
 22 matters necessary or appropriate to the implementation of this subparagraph."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
 25 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
 26 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

1 " YES Shall the Constitution be amended so as to provide for an intellectually
2 disabled health and fitness support program to develop new Special
3 NO Olympics Georgia programs, to fund existing Special Olympics Georgia
4 programs, to provide direct aid to adults with intellectual and other
5 developmental disabilities who need financial assistance in establishing an
 independent residence, and to provide funds for the program from the
 voluntary purchase of special license plates and other sources?"

6 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
7 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
8 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
9 become a part of the Constitution of this state.