

## House Resolution 558

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the House Local School District Development Impact Fees Study Committee; and
- 2 for other purposes.
  
- 3 WHEREAS, the Constitution provides for local revenues in support of local school systems
- 4 by means of school taxes levied on the assessed value of all taxable property within the
- 5 territories served by local school systems and also authorizes local sales taxes for educational
- 6 purposes; and
  
- 7 WHEREAS, municipalities and counties in this state have been authorized by law to impose
- 8 by ordinance development impact fees as a condition of development approval so as to
- 9 provide an equitable program for planning and financing public facilities needed to serve
- 10 new growth and development and to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and
  
- 11 WHEREAS, while local school districts are significantly affected by growth and
- 12 development, impact fees imposed by municipalities or counties do not contribute to the
- 13 financial support of such improvements, expansions, and constructions of public schools as
- 14 are necessary to serve new growth and development; and
  
- 15 WHEREAS, the potential imposition and use of development impact fees by local school
- 16 districts to finance public schools needed to serve new growth and development is worthy
- 17 of study.
  
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 there is created the House Local School District Development Impact Fees Study Committee
- 20 to be composed of five members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the
- 21 Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker shall designate a member of the
- 22 committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson shall call all meetings of the
- 23 committee.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,  
2 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action  
3 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may  
4 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or  
5 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and  
6 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee  
7 shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of  
8 Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by  
9 any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized.  
10 The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds  
11 appropriated to the House of Representatives. In the event the committee makes a report of  
12 its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such  
13 report shall be made on or before December 1, 2003. The committee shall stand abolished  
14 on December 1, 2003.