

Senate Resolution 325

By: Senators Henson of the 41st and Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on the Funding of Science, Arts, and Cultural Services;
- 2 and for other purposes.

- 3 WHEREAS, the science, arts, and cultural services located in the state are a rich source of
- 4 knowledge and inspiration to all of the residents of the state; and

- 5 WHEREAS, the preservation and development of such services are vital to the cultural and
- 6 intellectual life of the state; and

- 7 WHEREAS, science, arts, and cultural services are an important factor to the economic
- 8 well-being of the state; and

- 9 WHEREAS, economic development and tourism are needed to maintain and promote such
- 10 services; and

- 11 WHEREAS, the state Constitution authorizes the creation of special tax districts to fund
- 12 projects that benefit such districts; and

- 13 WHEREAS, the creation of special tax districts for science, arts, and cultural services will
- 14 promote the health, safety, welfare, and economic status of the residents of the state; and

- 15 WHEREAS, these issues have not before received methodical study by the Georgia General
- 16 Assembly and merit such consideration at this time.

- 17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
- 18 Study Committee on the Funding of Science, Arts, and Cultural Services to be composed of
- 19 five members of the Senate to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Assignments. The
- 20 Senate Committee on Assignments shall designate a member of the Senate to serve as
- 21 chairperson of the committee. The committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the issues
2 mentioned above and any other issues related thereto and recommend any actions or
3 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 authorized for legislative members of interim legislative
8 committees but shall receive the same for not more than five days unless additional days are
9 authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come
10 from the funds appropriated to the Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its
11 findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report
12 shall be made on or before December 31, 2003. The committee shall stand abolished on
13 December 31, 2003.