

Senate Resolution 266

By: Senators Shafer of the 48th, Williams of the 19th, Smith of the 52nd, Thomas of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd and others

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the United States Senate to pass and the President of the United States to sign
2 legislation that bans human cloning; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the human embryo is a living organism of the species *Homo sapiens* at the
4 earliest stages of development, including the single-cell stage, and human cloning creates a
5 human being at the embryonic stage of life and grows this human being solely to be
6 exploited, in the case of reproductive cloning, or destroyed, in the case of therapeutic
7 cloning, through nontherapeutic research and experimentation; and

8 WHEREAS, human cloning is a manufacturing process in which a human being is created
9 in a laboratory; human cloning indicates a utilitarian view in which a human being is created
10 merely for usefulness with no respect for the dignity of that human being; and human cloning
11 creates a human being who is the twin of a parent, has no other biological parent, and is the
12 child of the grandparents, thereby causing serious moral, social, and legal issues; and

13 WHEREAS, current human cloning attempts pose a substantial risk of producing human
14 beings with unpredictable but potentially devastating health problems; and

15 WHEREAS, such human cloning attempts are grossly irresponsible and unethical; and

16 WHEREAS, the President of the United States has called for a complete human cloning ban
17 and the United States House of Representatives has passed the Human Cloning Prohibition
18 Act of 2003, a complete cloning ban; and

19 WHEREAS, the United States Senate is now considering the Human Cloning Prohibition Act
20 of 2003 and other measures to restrict or ban human cloning.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 urge the United States Senate to pass the Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2003, banning
3 human cloning, and the President of the United States to sign this Act into law.

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