

House Resolution 1370

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A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Protection from the Dangers of Methamphetamine Manufacture Study
2 Committee; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, abuse of methamphetamine and illicit manufacture of methamphetamine have
4 been growing exponentially in Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, methamphetamine manufacture can create many hazards, including fires,
6 explosions, and exposure to toxic fumes; and

7 WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies have uncovered many instances of tragic human
8 injuries and extensive property damages due to unlawful methamphetamine laboratories; and

9 WHEREAS, state policies relating to illicit methamphetamine manufacture would be more
10 effective if a committee of the House of Representatives made a careful study of residual
11 effects of exposure to toxic fumes generated by methamphetamine manufacture, particularly
12 with regard to children; the best practices for scouring the site of a former methamphetamine
13 laboratory; procedures for ensuring that such a site is safe for human occupancy; methods
14 for informing members of the public of the location of former methamphetamine
15 laboratories; and other related issues.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 there is created the House Protection from the Dangers of Methamphetamine Manufacture
18 Study Committee to be composed of five members of the House of Representatives to be
19 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The Speaker shall designate a
20 member of the committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson shall call all
21 meetings of the committee.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
23 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action

1 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
2 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
3 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
4 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
5 shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of
6 Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by
7 any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized.
8 The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds
9 appropriated to the House of Representatives. In the event the committee makes a report of
10 its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such
11 report shall be made on or before December 1, 2004. The committee shall stand abolished
12 on December 1, 2004.