

Senate Resolution 680

By: Senators Brush of the 24th, Smith of the 52nd, Starr of the 44th, Balfour of the 9th, Hudgens of the 47th and others

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on the Scope of Chiropractic Practice; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, current state laws governing the licensing of doctors of chiropractic are
4 woefully outdated, not having been substantially modernized since 1921; and

5 WHEREAS, the antiquated and unduly restrictive licensing law has caused many problems,
6 including the recent highly publicized problems of Life University; and

7 WHEREAS, under the current law, doctors of chiropractic are unable to practice fully in
8 accordance with their education, training, and experience; and

9 WHEREAS, the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners has difficulty regulating their
10 profession due to the inadequacies of the current licensing law.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
12 Study Committee on the Scope of Chiropractic Practice to be composed of five members of
13 the Senate to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Assignments. The Senate Committee
14 on Assignments shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson of the committee.
15 The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
17 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any actions
18 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
19 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
20 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
21 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
22 shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative
23 committees but shall receive the same for not more than five days unless additional days are

1 authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come
2 from the funds appropriated to the Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its
3 findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report
4 shall be made on or before December 31, 2004. The committee shall stand abolished on
5 December 31, 2004.