

House Resolution 1678

By: Representative Royal of the 140th

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Lottery Technology Study Committee; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, more than 675,000 Georgians have received HOPE scholarships totaling more
3 than \$1.8 billion; and

4 WHEREAS, HOPE scholarships are funded by proceeds from the Georgia Lottery for
5 Education; and

6 WHEREAS, the members of this body want to assure the continuing and future availability
7 of sufficient funds for HOPE scholarships; and

8 WHEREAS, the Georgia Lottery Corporation for more than a decade has utilized and
9 promoted "Instant Ticket" technologies involving the dispensing of preprinted instant lottery
10 tickets to improve the proceeds of the Georgia Lottery for Education; and

11 WHEREAS, further improved technologies, such as electronic instant lotteries and player
12 activated terminals, may increase the proceeds of the Georgia Lottery for Education and
13 enhance the future availability of sufficient funds for HOPE scholarships.

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

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
21 needs, issues and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action
22 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate to improve the technology

1 of the Georgia Lottery for Education program for the future, including without limitation
2 electronic instant lotteries and player activated terminals. The committee may conduct such
3 meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable
4 it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the
5 objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee shall receive the
6 allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.
7 The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member of the
8 committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. The funds
9 necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds
10 appropriated to the House of Representatives. In the event the committee makes a report of
11 its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such
12 report shall be made on or before December 1, 2004. The committee shall stand abolished
13 on December 1, 2004.