

House Resolution 1761

By: Representatives Greene of the 134th, Smyre of the 111th, Powell of the 23rd, Teper of the 42nd, Post 1, and Barnard of the 121st, Post 1

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Georgia Correctional Industries Study Committee; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, at the 2004 session of the General Assembly, legislation has been introduced
4 to allow Georgia Correctional Industries Administration to enter into service contracts with
5 privately owned profit-making employers that produce goods and services for sale to the
6 public; and

7 WHEREAS, the proposed legislation would allow inmates to offer voluntarily their labor to
8 such employers for compensation and would further allow the state to recover a portion of
9 the cost of incarceration of such inmates; and

10 WHEREAS, there is a need for a study of the feasibility of creating such a program, the
11 effect of such program on workers in this state, and the other issues related thereto.

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

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the above
18 issues and recommend any actions or legislation which the committee deems necessary or
19 appropriate. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as
20 it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers,
21 perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The
22 members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8
23 of the O.C.G.A. but shall receive the same for not more than five days unless additional days
24 are authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come

1 from the funds appropriated to the House of Representatives. In the event the committee
2 makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed
3 legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December 31, 2004. The
4 committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2004.