

Senate Resolution 350

By: Senators Unterman of the 45th, Johnson of the 1st and Thomas of the 54th

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on the Creation of a Georgia State Board of Clinical
2 Nephrology Technicians; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, many citizens of our state require dialysis treatment on a regular basis; and

4 WHEREAS, dialysis treatment must be performed by trained nephrology technicians in order
5 to protect the safety and health of the patients undergoing the procedure; and

6 WHEREAS, there presently is very little in the way of a standardized level of training and
7 competency in the state for the technicians who perform these procedures; and

8 WHEREAS, in order to ensure that the technicians performing dialysis treatments have
9 sufficient training and competence to perform these procedures properly and safely, there
10 should be standards established and minimum competencies demonstrated through a
11 licensing board.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
13 Study Committee on the Creation of a Georgia State Board of Clinical Nephrology
14 Technicians to be composed of five members of the Senate to be appointed by the Committee
15 on Assignments, who shall designate one member as the chairperson of the committee. The
16 committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
18 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any actions
19 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
20 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
21 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
22 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
23 shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative

1 committees but shall receive the same for not more than five days unless additional days are
2 authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come
3 from the funds appropriated to the Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its
4 findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report
5 shall be made on or before December 15, 2005. The committee shall stand abolished on
6 December 31, 2005.