

House Resolution 442

By: Representative Hembree of the 67th

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on the HOPE Scholarship Program; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the HOPE Scholarship Program has helped many Georgia students attend
4 colleges and universities in this state; and

5 WHEREAS, it is prudent to periodically review state programs, including the HOPE
6 Scholarship Program, to identify the areas that are successful and any areas which may need
7 to be improved; and

8 WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to assess the HOPE Scholarship Program, including but
9 not limited to the impact that results when students transfer between institutions in which
10 credit hours may or may not be honored, and which may cause students to be required to take
11 more credit hours than is allowed under the maximum hour limitations under the program;
12 and

13 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives believes that it is in the best interests of the HOPE
14 Scholarship Program and the students in Georgia to review the program and its impact on
15 students in varying situations.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
17 there is created the House Study Committee on the HOPE Scholarship Program to be
18 composed of eight members. Five members of the House of Representatives shall be
19 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives to be members of the committee.
20 The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the committee to
21 serve as chairperson. The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee may conduct such meetings at such
23 places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully

1 and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes
2 of this resolution. The members of the committee shall receive the allowances authorized for
3 legislative members of interim legislative committees but shall receive the same for not more
4 than five days unless additional days are authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the
5 provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds appropriated to the House of
6 Representatives. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and
7 recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be
8 made on or before December 31, 2005. The committee shall stand abolished on December
9 31, 2005.