

## House Resolution 1169

By: Representatives Bearden of the 68<sup>th</sup>, Brooks of the 63<sup>rd</sup>, Hembree of the 67<sup>th</sup>, and Bruce of the 64<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Dedicating the "Colonel R. H. Burson Bridge"; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, R. H. Burson graduated from Bowden High School in 1927; and
- 3 WHEREAS, he joined the Georgia Department of Public Safety in 1939 as a trooper,  
4 graduating in the third Georgia State Patrol Trooper School; and
- 5 WHEREAS, he rose through the ranks of the State Patrol to become its commanding officer  
6 in 1959; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he was appointed deputy director of the Department of Public Safety in 1961  
8 where he served until 1963 when Governor Carl Sanders appointed him Director of the  
9 Department of Corrections; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he served as Director of the Department of Corrections until 1967 when he was  
11 appointed Director of the Department of Public Safety, a position which he held until his  
12 retirement in 1971; and
- 13 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the service of this extraordinary individual be  
14 recognized.
- 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 GEORGIA that the bridge on U. S. Highway 78 at Mirror Lake in Douglas County be  
17 dedicated as the "Colonel R. H. Burson Bridge."
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
19 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the "Colonel R. H. Burson  
20 Bridge."

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 2 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the family of Colonel R. H.
- 3 Burson and to the Department of Transportation.