

Senate Resolution 1089

By: Senators Zamarripa of the 36th, Brown of the 26th, Mullis of the 53rd, Fort of the 39th, Rogers of the 21st and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Civil Rights Commission and Civil Rights Trail Study Committee; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the time is right to commemorate the state's role in the civil rights movement
4 by establishing a network of historic sites and an opportunity to honor the past and ride the
5 coming wave of heritage tourism; and

6 WHEREAS, the National Black Arts Festival is an organization that is successfully
7 providing events and programs throughout the year celebrating Georgia's heritage.
8 Therefore, it is desired that as a part of this study their role as administrator of this program
9 be explored in conjunction with the Department of Economic Development; and

10 WHEREAS, a study is needed for the purposes of developing a plan and recommending
11 strategy for establishing a civil rights commission and civil rights trail in Georgia.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
13 Civil Rights Commission and Civil Rights Trail Study Committee to be composed of seven
14 members of the Senate to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Assignments. The
15 Senate Committee on Assignments shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson
16 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 conditions,
18 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action
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 provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of
24 Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by

1 any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized.
2 The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds
3 appropriated to the Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and
4 recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be
5 made on or before December 31, 2006. The committee shall stand abolished on December
6 31, 2006.