

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.