

Senate Resolution 1091

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on Limited Taxation; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, many taxpayers have expressed strong sentiment for reducing their tax burden;
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- 4 WHEREAS, the state government should operate efficiently and fiscally responsibly and
5 strive to limit the tax burden of the citizens of Georgia; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the state should operate so as to expend revenue only as absolutely necessary;
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- 8 WHEREAS, providing for meaningful limits on state government taxing and spending
9 powers is an effective method for accomplishing that reduction; and
- 10 WHEREAS, other growing states have already implemented reductions by providing that
11 annual growth in state expenditures cannot exceed a percentage that reflects ordinary
12 citizens' personal income and providing that excess revenues are refunded for taxpayers.
- 13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
14 Committee on Limited Taxation to be composed of five members of the Senate to be
15 appointed by the Senate Committee on Assignments. The Senate Committee on Assignments
16 shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson
17 shall call all meetings of the committee.
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
19 needs, issues, advantages, and impact on the state budget mentioned above or related thereto
20 and recommend any action or legislation which the committee deems necessary or
21 appropriate. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as
22 it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers,

1 perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The
2 members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8
3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution
4 shall not be received by any member of the committee for more than five days unless
5 additional days are authorized. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this
6 resolution shall come from the funds appropriated to the Senate. In the event the committee
7 makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with suggestions for proposed
8 legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December 1, 2006. The committee
9 shall stand abolished on December 1, 2006.