

## House Resolution 1940

By: Representatives Wix of the 33<sup>rd</sup>, Teilhet of the 40<sup>th</sup>, Lord of the 142<sup>nd</sup>, Warren of the 122<sup>nd</sup>, Johnson of the 37<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the local boards of education to encourage students to recite the Pledge of Allegiance  
2 daily; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia law provides that each student in the public schools of this state must  
4 be afforded the opportunity to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States  
5 of America during each school day; and

6 WHEREAS, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance can serve to instill patriotism and respect for  
7 the nation in which we live and appreciation of the rights which we are granted; and

8 WHEREAS, such recitations can also help build community by establishing and  
9 strengthening bonds between fellow citizens united with a common heritage; and

10 WHEREAS, as a testament to the many rights which are enjoyed in this country, no person  
11 may be required to participate in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of  
12 America if he or she wishes to refrain from participation; and

13 WHEREAS, while the right of a student to refrain from participation will always be  
14 respected, each student should nevertheless be encouraged to engage in the recitation of the  
15 Pledge of Allegiance in the spirit of patriotism and honor; and

16 WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper for students in the public schools of this state  
17 to recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America during each  
18 school day.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
20 the members of this body urge the local boards of education to encourage students to recite  
21 the Pledge of Allegiance daily.