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Senate Resolution 1133

By: Senators Bulloch of the 11th, Kemp of the 46th, Hudgens of the 47th and Pearson of the 51st

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Urging the United States Congress and the President of the United States to pass meaningful
- 2 changes to protect threatened or endangered species; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, many citizens of Georgia are directly affected by actions taken under the
- 4 provisions of the Endangered Species Act; and
- 5 WHEREAS, on September 29, 2005 the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 3824,
- 6 the Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery Act of 2005 (TESRA) with bipartisan
- 7 support; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Georgia Congressmen Sanford Bishop, Jack Kingston, Charlie Norwood, and
- 9 David Scott cosponsored H.R. 3824, the Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery Act
- 10 of 2005 (TESRA); and
- 11 WHEREAS, H.R. 3824 was also supported by Georgia Congressmen John Barrow, Nathan
- 12 Deal, Phil Gingrey, John Linder, Jim Marshall, Tom Price and Lynn Westmoreland; and
- WHEREAS, the state of Georgia is home to 63 species of plants and animals on the Federal
- 14 Endangered and Threatened Species List; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the citizens of Georgia are performing many voluntary measures to help in the
- 16 conservation and recovery of species which are or may become listed as threatened or
- 17 endangered; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the current Endangered Species Act as structured has not created meaningful
- 19 incentives to engage private landowners in conservation and has failed to achieve its ultimate
- 20 aim in the recovery of endangered species; and

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1 WHEREAS, H.R. 3824, the Threatened and Endangered Species Recovery Act of 2005

- 2 (TESRA) will focus on species recovery, prioritize recovery efforts, expand the role of states
- 3 for managing listed species, and compensate landowners for their efforts in species
- 4 protection.
- 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 6 urge the United States Congress and the President of the United States to act soon on
- 7 comprehensive Endangered Species Act reform that effectively promotes species
- 8 conservation and preservation within the state of Georgia and the United States of America.
- 9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 10 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each member of the Georgia
- 11 congressional delegation and the President of the United States.