

Senate Resolution 1369

By: Senators Heath of the 31st, Cagle of the 49th, Kemp of the 46th and Stephens of the 27th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Larry Guy Hembree; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Bremen were very fortunate to have their police
3 department led for 32 years by one of the finest law enforcement officers in the state, Chief
4 Larry Guy Hembree; and

5 WHEREAS, he was hired on September 7, 1971, as a patrol officer for the Bremen Police
6 Department and soon thereafter on April 1, 1973, was appointed as Chief of Police, a
7 position in which he served until March 31, 2005; and

8 WHEREAS, Larry Guy Hembree has long been recognized by the citizens of the City of
9 Bremen for the vital leadership role he played for more than three decades in maintaining
10 their safety and welfare; and

11 WHEREAS, in his many outstanding years as Chief of Police he built a legacy founded on
12 protecting the citizens of his community which included distinguished achievements and
13 innovations such as building the department from ten employees to 21 employees,
14 implementing a Criminal Investigation Division, and starting the Haralson County 911
15 system; and

16 WHEREAS, he was the first Chief of Police to place an officer on the Tallapoosa Judicial
17 Circuit Drug Task Force, on which he also served, and he worked diligently with city
18 officials to construct and secure funding for the City of Bremen Police Department firing
19 range now known as the Larry G. Hembree Firing Range; and

20 WHEREAS, due to the efforts of Chief Hembree, the Bremen Police Department was the
21 first in Haralson County to have and operate a GCIC/NCIC computer terminal; and

1 WHEREAS, during the course of his 34 years as a law enforcement officer for the City of
2 Bremen, Chief Hembree courageously strived to protect his fellow Georgians, and it is
3 abundantly fitting and proper that his extraordinary service be appropriately recognized.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
5 join in commending Larry Guy Hembree for his outstanding service and leadership and thank
6 him for his invaluable and unparalleled contributions to public safety in Georgia.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Larry Guy Hembree.