

Senate Resolution 1247

By: Senators Chapman of the 3rd, Shafer of the 48th, Williams of the 19th and Johnson of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on Community Base Giving Tax Credits; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, certain programs operated by nonprofit organizations decrease the demand for
4 governmental services by providing health or social services which would otherwise be
5 provided by state or local government; and

6 WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the state to encourage such programs which provide
7 services rendered for the purpose of treating or preventing sickness, disease, or injury or
8 services rendered for the purpose of aiding needy and vulnerable children and adults in ways
9 that strengthen families and encourage personal responsibility; and

10 WHEREAS, the provision of state income tax credits for charitable contributions to such
11 programs has the potential to strengthen and expand the number of such programs, thereby
12 further alleviate the demand for governmental services with efficient and expertly
13 administered private sector nonprofit services; and

14 WHEREAS, study is needed to determine the parameters and best implementation of a
15 community base giving tax credits program for the above described purposes.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
17 Study Committee on Community Base Giving Tax Credits to be composed of five members
18 of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate. The President of the Senate shall
19 designate a member of the committee as chairperson of the committee. The chairperson shall
20 call all meetings of the committee.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
22 needs, and issues mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or
23 legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may

1 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
2 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
3 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee
4 shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of
5 Georgia Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any
6 member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. The
7 funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from the funds
8 appropriated to the Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and
9 recommendations, with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be
10 made on or before the convening of the 2008 session of the General Assembly, at which time
11 the committee shall stand abolished.