

The Senate Education and Youth Committee offered the following substitute to SR 1085:

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Georgia School Boards Association to continue to emphasize best practices in
2 local school board governance and to recommend any legislation necessary to support its
3 efforts; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, under the Constitution of the State of Georgia, the provision of an adequate
5 public education for the citizens is a primary obligation of the State of Georgia, and nothing
6 is more important to the future of our state than the education of our young people; and

7 WHEREAS, local boards of education, which are elected bodies, set the policies and budgets
8 that guide each local school system; and

9 WHEREAS, local school boards play a vital role in system-wide performance, and their
10 work is complex, technical, and deserving of great respect in appreciation of their long hours,
11 hard work, and dedication; and

12 WHEREAS, the stated mission of the Georgia School Boards Association is to ensure
13 excellence in the governance of local school systems by providing leadership, advocacy, and
14 services and by representing the collective resolve of Georgia's 180 elected boards of
15 education; and

16 WHEREAS, because of its role and mission, the Georgia School Boards Association is
17 uniquely positioned and eminently qualified to assess and recommend insightful changes and
18 improvements to local school board governance in Georgia.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
20 urge the Georgia School Boards Association to continue to emphasize best practices in local
21 school board governance and to recommend any legislation necessary to support its efforts.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
23 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia School Boards Association.