

Senate Resolution 1598

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Williams of the 19th, Rogers of the 21st, Tolleson of the 20th, Goggans of the 7th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Carolyn J. Bourdeaux; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Dr. Carolyn J. Bourdeaux has long been recognized by the citizens of this state
3 for her devotion to public service and her expertise in the areas of public finance, urban
4 policy, and public administration; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Bourdeaux is a renowned expert in the area of program budgeting and has
6 applied this knowledge to the state budget, greatly improving Georgia's budget process; and

7 WHEREAS, she has displayed outstanding dedication to public service as Director of the
8 Georgia Senate Budget and Evaluation Office for three years, providing leadership and
9 direction to the Senate in developing the state budget in a period of extreme economic
10 hardship; and

11 WHEREAS, she has exhibited extraordinary leadership throughout her seven years as a
12 professor of public management and policy at Georgia State University and has provided
13 unfailing leadership and mentorship to the analysts of the Georgia Senate Budget and
14 Evaluation Office; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Bourdeaux has established herself as an eminent scholar, publishing in
16 numerous academic journals, including *Public Budgeting and Finance*, *Public*
17 *Administration Review*, and *State Tax Notes* on topics such as legislative budgeting, public
18 health, tax allocation districts, and performance management reform; and

19 WHEREAS, she has enabled future generations of public servants to gain educational
20 experience by designing and initiating both the Dan Sweat Fellowship and Legislative
21 Budget Fellowship; and

22 WHEREAS, Dr. Bourdeaux has shown a deep commitment to community service,
23 organizing and assisting with budgetary training programs for international public officials,
24 the City of Atlanta, and Georgia's legislative budget staff; and

25 WHEREAS, a community leader, Dr. Bourdeaux has served on various advisory boards and
26 academic committees, including participating as a reviewer for the Better Business Bureau
27 "Torch Awards," as executive council member of the Federalism and Intergovernmental
28 Relations Chapter of the American Political Science Association, and as a referee for such
29 publications as *Public Finance Review*, *Journal of Public Administration and Management*,
30 *Public Administration Review*, and others; and

31 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
32 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
34 commend Dr. Carolyn J. Bourdeaux for her efficient, effective, unselfish, and dedicated
35 public service to the State of Georgia and extend to her their utmost appreciation for her
36 expert knowledge and public service.

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
38 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Carolyn J. Bourdeaux.