

House Resolution 165

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Rogers of the 26th, Amerson of the 9th, Hembree of the 67th, Cheokas of the 134th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Requesting four-year colleges and universities of the University System of Georgia to help
2 make Georgia the # 1 DESTINATION FOR ENTREPRENEURS in the United States of
3 America by developing, and expanding, education for the support of science, innovation,
4 technology, energy, and new Georgia entrepreneurs; and for other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, science, innovation, technology, and energy and the entrepreneurial leaders that
6 utilize these important tools to build new businesses and expand available consumer products
7 are the keys for successful economic growth in Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, Georgia loses massive potential return on its educational investment to other
9 states that have established competitive college and university courses to support the growth
10 of technology driven entrepreneurship; and

11 WHEREAS, there is a tremendous need to promote and cultivate science, innovation,
12 technology, energy, and entrepreneurs so as to increase the number of new and successful
13 technology based businesses in this state and, in turn, dramatically increase job opportunities
14 and economic success for all Georgia citizens; and

15 WHEREAS, units of the University System of Georgia, particularly those with existing
16 bachelor, master, and nondegree programs in business administration, science, and computer
17 technology, are uniquely situated to provide instruction and help for the growth of science,
18 innovation, technology, energy resources, and for Georgia's future entrepreneurs.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
20 it is the sense of this body that the University System of Georgia must do more to make
21 Georgia the # 1 DESTINATION FOR ENTREPRENEURS in the United States of America
22 by developing, and expanding, comprehensive programs to provide education and training
23 for potential entrepreneurs and support the growth of science, innovation, technology, and

24 energy in ways that will more effectively promote the establishment of new technology
25 driven businesses in this state.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body request four-year colleges and
27 universities of the University System of Georgia to develop and expand education for the
28 support of science, innovation, technology, and energy and new Georgia entrepreneurs in
29 order to make Georgia the # 1 DESTINATION FOR ENTREPRENEURS in the United
30 States of America.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the president of each
33 four-year college and university of the University System of Georgia and to the Board of
34 Regents of the University System of Georgia.