

Senate Resolution 173

By: Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Sims of the 12th

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to establish and offer a
2 teacher education program at each of its universities offering four-year degree programs; and
3 for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, each year in Georgia the demand grows for qualified teachers as the population
5 expands creating a shortage of teachers in all areas of education; and

6 WHEREAS, while the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia has encouraged
7 all institutions with teacher education programs to implement aggressive recruitment policies
8 to increase the number and raise the caliber and diversity of teacher candidates in order to
9 balance supply and demand, the teacher shortage in Georgia continues to grow; and

10 WHEREAS, increasing the number of teacher education programs at universities across this
11 state would reduce the shortage of educators in these areas and significantly increase the
12 number of qualified and available teachers in Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, it is recommended that teacher education programs across the state be expanded
14 and established.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body urges the Board
16 of Regents of the University System of Georgia to establish and offer a teacher education
17 program at each of its universities offering four-year degree programs.