

Senate Resolution 705

By: Senator Mullis of the 53rd

### A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on the Certification of Building Inspectors and Code  
2 Enforcement Officials; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the education and training of individuals involved in the administration,  
4 enforcement, and development of building codes and related ordinances will promote safety  
5 to life, health, and property; and

6 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia needs to create a better public understanding and  
7 appreciation of the proper administration of building codes and related ordinances and their  
8 importance to the health, safety, welfare, and prosperity of municipalities and counties; and

9 WHEREAS, the promotion of high standards of efficiency in the administration of building  
10 codes and related ordinances through continuous education and training will improve the  
11 professionalism of building inspection officials and related code enforcement officers; and

12 WHEREAS, the state needs to develop courses of instruction singularly or in cooperation  
13 with recognized educational institutions to promote proper interpretations, enforcement, and  
14 administration of building codes and related ordinances; and

15 WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the state to assist Georgia municipalities and counties  
16 to organize and maintain adequate building inspection departments, building codes, and  
17 related ordinances; and

18 WHEREAS, there is a need for a uniform, effective, and efficient certification program for  
19 county and municipal building inspectors and code enforcement officials; and

20 WHEREAS, Georgia needs to study the best method of providing this program of  
21 certification.

22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is hereby created  
23 the Senate Study Committee on the Certification of Building Inspectors and Code  
24 Enforcement Officials to be composed of five members of the Senate who shall be appointed  
25 by the Lieutenant Governor. The Lieutenant Governor shall designate a member of the  
26 Senate who shall serve as chairperson of the committee. The committee shall meet at the call  
27 of the chairperson.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,  
29 needs, issues, and problems as described above and recommend any actions or legislation  
30 that the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may conduct such  
31 meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable  
32 it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the  
33 objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the committee shall receive  
34 allowances authorized for legislative members of interim legislative committees but shall  
35 receive the same for not more than three days unless additional days are authorized by the  
36 Lieutenant Governor. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall  
37 come from the funds appropriated to the Senate. In the event that the committee makes a  
38 report of its findings and recommendations with suggestions for proposed legislation, if any,  
39 such report shall be made on or before December 31, 2009. The committee shall stand  
40 abolished on December 31, 2009.