

## Senate Resolution 882

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Governor to establish, by Executive Order, an official state policy prohibiting  
2 unnecessary spending for office and building decor; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia faces unprecedented budgetary pressures in a time of  
4 declining revenues and increasing demands for government services; and

5 WHEREAS, in these circumstances, it is incumbent upon the state to ensure that  
6 governmental costs are contained and governmental efficiency is improved to the maximum  
7 possible extent consistent with the missions which state government undertakes; and

8 WHEREAS, improvements to office interiors and outside building structures for purely  
9 aesthetic reasons are unnecessary expenses and should be curtailed until the budgetary crisis  
10 is over.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body urges the  
12 Governor to establish, by Executive Order, an official policy of this state which shall prohibit  
13 expending funds for any and all interior office improvements or decor or exterior building  
14 improvements which interior or exterior improvements are made strictly for aesthetic  
15 reasons. Improvements needed for the purpose of maintaining structural soundness of a  
16 building, extending the life of a structure, or similar nonaesthetic purposes should be  
17 excluded from this prohibition. In addition, improvements or repairs to new or existing  
18 construction necessary to provide basic levels of habitability should also be excluded.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
20 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Governor.