

Senate Resolution 24

By: Senator Hill of the 32nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the General Assembly to
 2 provide for the allocation of a percent of premium taxes collected to offset losses of the
 3 Georgia High Risk Individual Reinsurance Pool; to provide for the submission of this
 4 amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Constitution is amended by adding a new
 8 subparagraph to read as follows:

9 "(o) Beginning on or after July 1, 2013, the General Assembly is authorized to provide
 10 by general law for the allocation of an amount not to exceed 10 percent of the state's
 11 portion of premium taxes collected to offset losses of the Georgia High Risk Individual
 12 Reinsurance Pool. The General Assembly is authorized to provide by general law for the
 13 allocation of this percentage of collected premium taxes to the Georgia High Risk
 14 Individual Reinsurance Pool, as provided by law, for the specified purpose of meeting any
 15 and all costs, or any portion of the costs, of providing for an alternative mechanism for the
 16 availability of individual health insurance coverage to the citizens of this state who do not
 17 qualify for other health insurance coverages. Moneys appropriated for such purposes shall
 18 not lapse. The General Assembly may provide by general law for the administration of
 19 such fund by such authority as the General Assembly shall determine. Such general law
 20 shall provide that any moneys allocated for the purposes stated in this subparagraph are
 21 limited to only the extent required to maintain solvency and current operation of the
 22 Georgia High Risk Individual Reinsurance Pool and shall be certified by the state auditor."

23 SECTION 2.

24 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
 25 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
 26 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

27 " YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General
28 Assembly beginning on or after July 1, 2013, to provide for an amount not
29 NO to exceed 10 percent of the state's portion of premium taxes collected in this
30 state to be allocated to the Georgia High Risk Individual Reinsurance
31 Pool?"

32 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
33 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
34 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
35 become a part of the Constitution of this state.