

House Resolution 1161

By: Representatives Buckner of the 130th, Hugley of the 133rd, and Smyre of the 132nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Compensating Mr. James A. Cauley and providing for a state income tax exclusion with
2 respect to such compensation; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on July 14, 2011, James A. Cauley was on the premises of the Georgia
4 Department of Labor office in Americus, Georgia, to sign up his son for the Job Corps; and

5 WHEREAS, while at this location and in the process of sitting down in a wheeled chair, the
6 chair rolled, causing him to fall and strike his back and head on the floor; and

7 WHEREAS, as a result of this incident, Mr. Cauley suffered a back and neck injury requiring
8 substantial medical bills that he has been unable to pay as the Veterans Administration did
9 not pay these bills and he has no other medical insurance, Medicaid benefits, or any other
10 means of financial assistance; and

11 WHEREAS, as a result of his injury, Mr. Cauley has suffered additional financial losses and
12 his spouse has incurred lost wages; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Cauley has submitted substantial medical bills to the Claims Advisory
14 Board; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Cauley has suffered personal injury, lost wages, emotional distress, and
16 other damages as a result of this accident; and

17 WHEREAS, as these damages occurred through no fault or negligence on the part of Mr.
18 Cauley, it is only fitting and proper that he be compensated for his loss.

19 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL
20 ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the Department of Labor is authorized and directed to pay
21 the sum of \$19, 569.83 to Mr. James A. Cauley as compensation as provided above. Said

22 sum shall be paid from funds appropriated to or available to the Department of Labor, shall
23 be in full and complete satisfaction of all claims against the state arising out of said
24 occurrence, and shall be paid subject to the provisions of this resolution.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any amount received by Mr. James A. Cauley pursuant
26 to this resolution shall be excluded from his taxable net income for state income tax
27 purposes.