

## House Resolution 1240

By: Representatives Cooper of the 41<sup>st</sup>, Clark of the 104<sup>th</sup>, Riley of the 50<sup>th</sup>, Mitchell of the 88<sup>th</sup>, Taylor of the 173<sup>rd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Georgia State University's Legislative Health Policy  
2 Certificate Program and Advanced Health Policy Institute and inviting their instructors to be  
3 recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Georgia Health Policy Center at Andrew Young School of Policy Studies  
5 at Georgia State University has developed an educational initiative to inform members of the  
6 health community about pressing health related issues; and

7 WHEREAS, with funding from the Robert W. Woodruff Foundation, the Legislative Health  
8 Policy Certificate Program is a four-part course in which legislators and their staff are  
9 instructed on the areas of health care financing, coverage, access to care, and the impact poor  
10 health has upon this state; and

11 WHEREAS, the Advanced Health Policy Institute is a three-part course in which legislators  
12 and their staff who completed the Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program build on  
13 their health policy knowledge in the areas of health care financing, issue framing, systems  
14 thinking, and leadership; and

15 WHEREAS, for the Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program, over 15 state elected  
16 officials and their staff have attended at least one educational session, with seven  
17 Representatives, two Senators, and four staff members completing at least three Legislative  
18 Health Policy Certificate sessions in order to earn certification; and

19 WHEREAS, for the Advanced Health Policy Institute Program, over 15 state elected officials  
20 and their staff have attended at least one educational session, with 11 Representatives, one  
21 Senator, and three staff members completing at least two Advanced Health Policy Institute  
22 sessions in order to earn certification; and

23 WHEREAS, this bipartisan learning environment is led by talented instructors such as  
24 Rachel Ferencik, Dr. Karen J. Minyard, Dr. Mary Beth Walker, Mary Ann Phillips, and  
25 Brittney Romanson, who dedicate their time, talent, and energy to educating the leaders of  
26 this state on vital health issues; and

27 WHEREAS, the Legislative Health Policy Certificate Program and Advanced Health Policy  
28 Institute at Georgia State University provide elected officials and their staff with the skills  
29 to make informed decisions on health policy and legislation for the State of Georgia and are  
30 worthy of recognition.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
32 the members of this body commend Georgia State University's Legislative Health Policy  
33 Certificate Program and Advanced Health Policy Institute for providing high quality  
34 education to the leaders of this state and invite their instructors to be recognized by the House  
35 of Representatives at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
37 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Georgia State University's  
38 Andrew Young School of Policy Studies.