

Senate Resolution 1070

By: Senators Jackson of the 24th, Goggans of the 7th, Tolleson of the 20th and Bulloch of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending American Bikers Active Toward Education and recognizing February 29,
2 2012, as Bikers Day at the capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, American Bikers Active Toward Education (ABATE) is a politically active
4 nonprofit organization working on motorcyclist's rights whose goal is rider education and
5 public awareness of motorcyclists; and

6 WHEREAS, ABATE promotes safe riding habits and encourages favorable legislation for
7 motorcyclists; and

8 WHEREAS, ABATE has created the Georgia Motorcycle Safety Program (GMSP), a rider
9 education program that is available to everyone; established the month of May as
10 "Motorcycle Awareness and You" month, an annual effort that raises public awareness of
11 motorcycles; successfully lobbied legislators to approve increased funding for the GMSP in
12 the amount of \$170,000 after the license tag rate was raised to \$20 on all vehicles; and
13 established a 15 district organization that has led to more participation locally, while raising
14 their membership state wide; and

15 WHEREAS, ABATE is affiliated with national rights groups, including the American
16 Motorcyclist Association (AMA), the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF), and the
17 National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM); and

18 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding work of this fine
19 organization and its numerous contributions to the citizens of this state be appropriately
20 recognized.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 commend American Bikers Active Toward Education for their contributions in education,

23 raising awareness of motorcyclists, and promoting safe riding habits and recognize February
24 29, 2012, as Bikers Day at the capitol.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to American Bikers Active Toward
27 Education.