

Senate Resolution 72

By: Senators Hill of the 32nd, McKoon of the 29th, Gooch of the 51st, Chance of the 16th, Dugan of the 30th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate State FairTax Study Committee; to provide for duties and responsibilities
2 of the committee; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia is reviewing its taxation structure and the appropriateness of its various
4 forms of taxation; and

5 WHEREAS, one of the ideas for tax reform nationally is the implementation of the FairTax;
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7 WHEREAS, the implementation of the FairTax at the state level should be considered one
8 of the methods of reforming the current system of taxation in Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, it would be beneficial for a study to be undertaken of the FairTax on the state
10 level to determine if it would be appropriate for Georgia.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
12 State FairTax Study Committee to be composed of the chairperson of the Senate Finance
13 Committee and four members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate.
14 The chairperson of the Senate Finance Committee shall serve as chairperson of the
15 committee. The committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
17 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action
18 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
19 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as the chairperson may deem
20 necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its
21 duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the
22 committee shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim
23 legislative committees from the funds appropriated to the Senate but shall receive the same

24 for not more than five days unless additional days are authorized. All other funds necessary
25 to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the
26 Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with
27 suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December
28 31, 2013. The committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2013.