

Senate Resolution 145

By: Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Ginn of the 47th and Millar of the 40th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Caterpillar, Athens, for winning Business Partner of the Year at the Lieutenant
2 Governor's Business and Education Summit; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Caterpillar, Athens, was selected as the "2014 Business Partner of the Year" at
4 the "Lieutenant Governor's Seventh Annual Business and Education Summit" for its
5 outstanding commitment to fostering and expanding partnerships with College and Career
6 Academies that provide students with experience and employment upon graduating from
7 high school; and

8 WHEREAS, Caterpillar, Athens, worked with Athens Community Career Academy (ACCA)
9 to develop the Assembly Work Based Learning Program and also worked with Broad River
10 College and Career Academy to develop a similar partnership; and

11 WHEREAS, the Assembly Work Based Learning Program allows students to begin the
12 Mechatronics pathway at ACCA in their junior year of high school, and Caterpillar, Athens,
13 offers five paid internships for students in their junior or senior year of this pathway; and

14 WHEREAS, at Broad River College and Career Academy, Caterpillar has set up a similar
15 internship program for the Welding pathway; and

16 WHEREAS, after one year with Caterpillar, the company will pay for the employee's
17 engineering degree through their employee education incentive; and

18 WHEREAS, Caterpillar, Athens, not only partners with ACCA and Broad River College and
19 Career Academy, but is also working toward a partnership with a third career academy, Sims
20 Academy of Innovation and Technology.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 commend Caterpillar, Athens, for being awarded Business Partner of the Year and for its
23 outstanding service.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Caterpillar, Athens.