

Senate Resolution 151

By: Senator Wilkinson of the 50th

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Habersham County and recognizing February 18, 2015, as Habersham County
2 Day at the State Capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Habersham County is nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains only
4 90 minutes from Atlanta. Established in 1818, Habersham County was named for Colonel
5 Joseph Habersham and was originally an area of 713 square miles. The present size is 279
6 square miles and a population approaching 45,000; and

7 WHEREAS, Habersham County is known for warm hospitality and natural beauty, which
8 includes the wonder of Tallulah Gorge, the Niagara Falls of the South, which is 1000-ft deep,
9 and 2 miles long, two majestic rivers, the Chattahoochee and the Soque, which offer the best
10 fly fishing east of the Mississippi River, and other outdoor attractions which include Lake
11 Russell, Panther Creek Falls, hiking trails, rafting, camping, zip lines, horseback riding, and
12 berry farms; and

13 WHEREAS, Habersham County is home to seven municipalities: Alto, Baldwin,
14 Clarkesville, Cornelia, Demorest, Mt. Airy, and Tallulah Falls. Clarkesville, the county seat,
15 is known for many things, especially their honey, which has been voted best in the world,
16 according to three international competitions, and the honey has also been proudly shipped
17 to each continent of the globe; and

18 WHEREAS, Habersham County has five historical museums and two historic colleges,
19 Piedmont College, with doctorate degree programs, and North Georgia Technical College,
20 which was the first technical college in the state; and

21 WHEREAS, Leadership Habersham is celebrating their twenty-fifth anniversary this year
22 and several of their current members and alumni are visiting the Capitol for Habersham
23 County Day; and

24 WHEREAS, Habersham County is a growing business community which nurtures start-up
25 businesses, but it is also home to major global industries.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
27 commend Habersham County and recognize February 18, 2015, as Habersham County Day
28 at the State Capitol.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to Habersham County.