

House Resolution 907

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A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize an annual allocation of 75
 2 percent of the revenue derived from the state sales and use tax with respect to the sale of
 3 outdoor recreation equipment to a trust fund to be used for the protection and preservation
 4 of conservation land; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this
 5 amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Constitution is amended by adding a new
 9 subparagraph to read as follows:

10 "(o) The General Assembly may provide by general law for an amount equal to 75
 11 percent of all moneys received by the state from the sales and use tax applied to the sale
 12 of outdoor recreation equipment in the immediately preceding fiscal year to be paid into
 13 and dedicated to a Georgia Legacy Trust Fund for the purpose of protecting and preserving
 14 conservation land. The revenues dedicated pursuant to this subparagraph shall not lapse,
 15 the provisions of Article III, Section IX, Paragraph IV(c) to the contrary notwithstanding,
 16 and such revenues shall not be subject to the limitations of subparagraph (a) of this
 17 Paragraph or of Article VII, Section III, Paragraph II."

18 **SECTION 2.**

19 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
 20 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
 21 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

22 " YES Without increasing taxes, shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to
23 create the Georgia Legacy Trust Fund to protect lands that preserve drinking
24 NO water sources and the water quality of rivers, lakes, and streams; to protect
25 and conserve forests, fish, and wildlife habitat, and state and local parks;
26 and to provide opportunities for our children and families to play and enjoy
27 the outdoors, by dedicating, subject to full public disclosure, 75% of the
28 existing sales tax on outdoor recreation equipment to such purposes without
29 increasing the current state sales tax rate?"

30 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."

31 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
32 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
33 become a part of the Constitution of this state.