

Senate Resolution 993

By: Senators James of the 35th, Rhett of the 33rd, Tate of the 38th, Henson of the 41st and Jones II of the 22nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Strengthening Parental Participation in Education Study Committee; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, a quality elementary and secondary education is critical to the lives of Georgia's
4 young people; and

5 WHEREAS, a child's education is a responsibility shared by school, family, and community;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, outside of the classroom, parents and legal guardians provide the primary
8 educational environment for fostering learning and scholastic achievement; and

9 WHEREAS, the opportunities for educational successes are enhanced where, in concert with
10 the school, there is active, informed, and proactive involvement in the instructional process
11 at home; and

12 WHEREAS, the development, implementation, and regular evaluation of parental
13 participation programs, initiatives, and policies can lead to increased and more effective
14 parental and guardian involvement and participation in the education of children.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

16 (1) **Creation of Senate study committee.** There is created the Senate Strengthening
17 Parental Participation in Education Study Committee.

18 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of five members of the
19 Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate. The President shall designate a
20 member of the committee as chairperson of the committee.

21 (3) **Powers and duties.** The committee shall undertake a study of the conditions, needs,
22 issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or
23 legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate.

24 (4) **Meetings.** The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee
25 may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
26 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
27 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

28 (5) **Allowances and funding.**

29 (A) The legislative members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided
30 for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

31 (B) The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member
32 of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds
33 necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds
34 appropriated to the Senate.

35 (6) **Report.**

36 (A) In the event the committee adopts any specific findings or recommendations that
37 include suggestions for proposed legislation, the chairperson shall file a report of the
38 same prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution, subject to
39 subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

40 (B) In the event the committee adopts a report that does not include suggestions for
41 proposed legislation, the chairperson shall file the report, subject to subparagraph (C)
42 of this paragraph.

43 (C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of
44 abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the committee.
45 A report so approved shall be signed by the chairperson of the committee and filed with
46 the Secretary of the Senate.

47 (D) In the absence of an approved report, the chairperson may file with the Secretary
48 of the Senate a copy of the minutes of the meetings of the committee in lieu thereof.

49 (7) **Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2016.