

Senate Resolution 1027

By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Cowser of the 46th, Tate of the 38th and Jackson of the 24th

ADOPTED BOTH HOUSES

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the Joint Music Economic Development Study Committee; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the music industry in Georgia, through the creativity and effort of many talented
3 and dedicated performers, producers, promoters, technicians, and others working in many
4 different musical genres and styles, has entertained and given great pleasure to millions of
5 people worldwide; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the music industry contributes substantially to the quality of life and economic
7 welfare of citizens of this state; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in light of the above, it is highly desirable to encourage and promote the
9 continued growth and success of the music industry in this state; and
- 10 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to examine the following aspects of the music industry
11 in Georgia:
- 12 (1) The economic impact of the music industry in Georgia and ways to measure, expand,
13 and promote the music economy statewide and foster integration with other creative
14 industries including film, digital media and gaming;
- 15 (2) The current mix of music content creators in Georgia and ways to retain and attract
16 talent while expanding music content as a net cultural export;
- 17 (3) The current state of the music and sound recording sector in Georgia and ways to
18 support and promote that sector;
- 19 (4) The current state of music tourism including live music and performance, music
20 festivals and music attractions and ways to support and promote that sector;
- 21 (5) The current state of music technology and entrepreneurship and explore ways to
22 support and promote innovation and enterprise investment;
- 23 (6) The musical tour and theatrical production in Georgia and ways to develop and
24 promote that sector of the industry;

25 (7) The current state of post-secondary music education opportunities in Georgia and
 26 ways to ensure a consistent, trained and reliable future workforce and alignment with
 27 private sector needs;

28 (8) The business side of music in Georgia, taking into account various industry clusters,
 29 and ways to strengthen and expand the business of music; and

30 (9) The Georgia Music Hall of Fame and its awards ceremony and ways that the
 31 institution can promote music in Georgia while providing for continued economic
 32 development.

33 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
 34 GEORGIA:

35 (1) **Creation of joint study committee.** There is created the Joint Music Economic
 36 Development Study Committee.

37 (2) **Members and officers.**

38 (A) The committee shall be composed of 13 members.

39 (B) The President of the Senate shall appoint three members of the Senate as members
 40 of the committee and shall designate one of such members as cochairperson. The
 41 President of the Senate shall also appoint an additional three members of the committee
 42 from the music business.

43 (C) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three members of the
 44 House of Representatives as members of the committee and shall designate one of such
 45 members as cochairperson. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall also
 46 appoint an additional three members of the committee from the music business.

47 (D) The commissioner of economic development, or his or her designee, shall be a
 48 member of the committee.

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

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

56 (5) **Allowances, expenses, and funding.**

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

59 (B) Members of the committee who are state officials, other than legislative members,
 60 or state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the committee,

61 but they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their
62 duties as members of the committee in the same manner as they are reimbursed for
63 expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees.

64 (C) Members of the committee who are not legislators, state officials, or state
65 employees shall receive a daily expense allowance in an amount the same as that
66 specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21 of the Official Code of Georgia
67 Annotated, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state
68 employees.

69 (D) The allowances and expenses authorized by this resolution shall not be received
70 by any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are
71 authorized. Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come
72 from funds appropriated to the Senate and the House of Representatives; except that
73 funds for the reimbursement of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative
74 members, and state employees shall come from funds appropriated to or otherwise
75 available to their respective agencies.

76 **(6) Report.**

77 (A) In the event the committee adopts any specific findings or recommendations that
78 include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file a report of the
79 same prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution, subject to
80 subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

81 (B) In the event the committee adopts a report that does not include suggestions for
82 proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file the report, subject to
83 subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

84 (C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of
85 abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the committee.
86 A report so approved shall be signed by the cochairpersons of the committee and filed
87 with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

88 (D) In the absence of an approved report, the cochairpersons may file with the
89 Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives copies of the
90 minutes of the meetings of the committee in lieu thereof.

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