

House Resolution 870

By: Representative Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

1 Relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

2 PART I

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that, except as
4 otherwise provided by this resolution or by subsequent resolution of the General Assembly,
5 meetings of the 2018 regular session of the General Assembly during the period of Tuesday,
6 January 9, 2018, through Thursday, February 1, 2018, shall be held in accordance with the
7 following schedule:

8 Tuesday, January 9 convene for legislative day 2

9 Wednesday, January 10 convene for legislative day 3

10 Thursday, January 11 convene for legislative day 4

11 Thursday, January 18 convene for legislative day 5

12 Friday, January 19 convene for legislative day 6

13 Monday, January 22 convene for legislative day 7

14 Tuesday, January 23 convene for legislative day 8

15 Wednesday, January 24 convene for legislative day 9

16 Thursday, January 25 convene for legislative day 10

17 Monday, January 29 convene for legislative day 11

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meetings of the General Assembly shall be held as
19 prescribed in Code Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, except as
20 otherwise provided by this resolution. The hours for convening and adjourning the House of
21 Representatives for each legislative day may be as ordered by the House; and the hours for
22 convening and adjourning the Senate for each legislative day may be as ordered by the
23 Senate. Each house, upon its own adjournment for a legislative day, shall remain in a period
24 of adjournment until it convenes for the next legislative day.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on and after the latest legislative day specified above,
26 the schedule for meetings of the 2018 regular session shall be held as prescribed in Code
27 Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated unless otherwise provided by
28 another resolution of the General Assembly adopted subsequent to the adoption of this
29 resolution.

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PART II

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting
32 from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or
33 impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta,
34 Fulton County, and the Governor has by proclamation declared an emergency temporary
35 location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with Code Section 38-3-52,
36 the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint
37 agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution
38 and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at such temporary location or
39 locations in accordance with Code Sections 38-3-52 and 38-3-53 on such date and at such
40 time as they deem practical.

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting
42 from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or
43 impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta,
44 Fulton County, but the Governor has not by proclamation declared an emergency temporary
45 location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with the above, the Speaker
46 of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement,
47 order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and
48 provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton
49 County, on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the
51 discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the Speaker of
52 the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall provide for prompt notice
53 of the same to all members of the House of Representatives and all members of the Senate,
54 respectively, by such means as such officers deem practical and efficient; and each house
55 shall be and remain in adjournment until convening for the next legislative day on the date
56 certain jointly specified by such officers. Following such reconvening, the General

57 Assembly may provide by joint resolution for a new schedule for meetings and
58 adjournments.

59 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as to any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the
60 discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the adoption
61 of this resolution by the General Assembly shall constitute the consent of both the House of
62 Representatives and the Senate for purposes of Article III, Section IV, Paragraph I(b) of the
63 Constitution.