

## House Resolution 1398

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on Short-Term Rental Providers; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, HR 810, adopted during the 2015 session of the General Assembly, formed a  
4 House Study Committee on Short-Term Rental Providers; and

5 WHEREAS, said study committee mostly eschewed action at the state level regarding  
6 short-term rental providers; and

7 WHEREAS, short-term rental providers have continued to significantly increase in number  
8 within the state during the ensuing years; and

9 WHEREAS, the market for short-term rental providers creates possible issues that need to  
10 be revisited, ranging from taxation to public safety concerns; and

11 WHEREAS, in order to determine the best methods to ensure the safety of the public,  
12 prevent illegal practices, collect taxes on business activities, and otherwise properly regulate  
13 short-term rental providers, a new comprehensive study of the issues surrounding such  
14 practices is necessary.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

16 (1) **Creation of House study committee.** There is created the House Study Committee  
17 on Short-Term Rental Providers.

18 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of seven members of the  
19 House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
20 Representatives. The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member  
21 of the committee to serve as chairperson.

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

25 (4) **Meetings.** The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee  
26 may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary  
27 or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties,  
28 and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The committee shall not  
29 meet more than three times.

30 (5) **Allowances and funding.** The legislative members of the committee shall receive  
31 the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia  
32 Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any  
33 member of the committee for more than three days unless additional days are authorized.  
34 Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds  
35 appropriated to the House of Representatives.

36 (6) **Report.**

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

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

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

48 (D) In the absence of an approved report, the chairperson may file with the Clerk of  
49 the House of Representatives a copy of the minutes of the meetings of the committee  
50 in lieu thereof.

51 (7) **Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2018.