

Senate Resolution 1067

By: Senators Jones of the 10th, Millar of the 40th, Orrock of the 36th, Tate of the 38th, Henson of the 41st and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on the Financial Impact of Atlanta Annexation on
2 Schools; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta recently annexed property into its corporate limits that
4 includes Emory University and some surrounding areas; and

5 WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has its own independent school system which expanded its
6 coverage as a result of the annexation; and

7 WHEREAS, the expansion of the City of Atlanta schools into DeKalb County has had a
8 significant impact on revenues for the DeKalb County school system; and

9 WHEREAS, there is a need for a study to better understand the economic impact of this
10 annexation on the DeKalb County school system and the Atlanta Independent School System
11 and to see if there are possible avenues to ameliorate such impact.

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

13 (1) **Creation of Senate study committee.** There is created the Senate Study Committee
14 on the Financial Impact of Atlanta Annexation on Schools.

15 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of the members of the
16 Senate who represent, in whole or in part, the City of Atlanta and those who represent,
17 in whole or in part, DeKalb County. The chairperson of the City of Atlanta delegation
18 in the Senate and the chairperson of the DeKalb County delegation in the Senate shall
19 serve as co-chairpersons of the committee.

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

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

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

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

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

34 (6) **Report.**

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

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

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

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

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