

Senate Resolution 266

By: Senators Black of the 8th, Harbison of the 15th, Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th and Thompson of the 14th

A RESOLUTION

1 Encouraging the Georgia High School Association to perform a thorough assessment of its
2 operations and practices; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia High School Association is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation that
4 organizes and conducts competitive high school sports and activities for its member school
5 systems; and

6 WHEREAS, the Georgia High School Association is an independent corporation governed
7 by its Executive Committee which is elected by its member school systems pursuant to its
8 constitution and bylaws; and

9 WHEREAS, the Georgia High School Association is supported by the dues of its member
10 school systems; and

11 WHEREAS, the majority of the members of the Georgia High School Association are public
12 school systems supported by tax dollars; and

13 WHEREAS, because tax dollars are part of the funding of the Georgia High School
14 Association, the Georgia General Assembly has a vested interest in the finances of the
15 Georgia High School Association; and

16 WHEREAS, the selection of tournaments and play-off sites should consider the costs versus
17 the benefit or return, travel costs for fans and the school systems, the use of college facilities
18 for greater seating capacities, the economic impact to local economies, and the spreading of
19 wealth around the state; and

20 WHEREAS, the marketing and use of the Georgia High School Association logo should be
21 assessed to consider new products to feature the logo and the costs of investing funds in
22 marketing the streaming service; and

23 WHEREAS, an analysis of other jurisdictions should assist in determining fiscally
24 responsible operational methods.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 encourage the Georgia High School Association to perform a thorough assessment of its
27 operations and practices.

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
29 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Executive
30 Director of the Georgia High School Association.