

Senate Resolution 574

By: Senator Watson of the 1st

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Georgia Department of Transportation to complete the widening of Highway
2 80/State Road 26 and the replacing of the Bull River and Lazaretto Creek bridges; and for
3 other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the Tybee Island Youth Council has major concerns with Highway 80/State
5 Road 26, which serves as the only vehicular access to Tybee Island; and

6 WHEREAS, the Tybee Island Youth Council is concerned about the continued delays in
7 widening the Highway 80 causeway and replacing the Bull River and Lazaretto Creek
8 bridges as they currently represent a serious public safety issue; emergency vehicles could
9 be delayed in transporting those in need of urgent care off of the island when there is heavy
10 traffic or accidents on the causeway or bridges; and

11 WHEREAS, the Tybee Island Youth Council understands the permitting process is difficult
12 as Highway 80 goes through the marsh, raising environmental concerns; and

13 WHEREAS, the Tybee Island Youth Council is requesting that the state fast-track the
14 permitting of the bridge replacement and causeway improvements; and

15 WHEREAS, the Tybee Island Youth Council is asking members of the General Assembly
16 to contact other local dignitaries and share their concerns; and

17 WHEREAS, the Tybee Island Youth Council is aware of the continued delays and wishes
18 to express its desire for the Georgia Department of Transportation to complete these projects
19 in light of the major public safety issues that the current bridges and causeway represent for
20 residents and visitors to Tybee Island.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 urge the Georgia Department of Transportation to complete the widening of Highway
23 80/State Road 26 and the replacing of the Bull River and Lazaretto Creek bridges.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Tybee Island
26 Youth Council.