

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following
substitute to SR 344:

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the benefits and contributions of purebred dogs and recognizing May 1, 2024,
2 as Purebred Dog Day in the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, dedicated individuals in Georgia breed dogs to develop unique predictable
4 characteristics that enable dogs to excel in a wide range of beneficial areas; and

5 WHEREAS, purebred dogs are living legacies of the cultures that created them, and
6 historically, these dogs worked alongside their people and provided them companionship;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, the service of these breeds continues as they work alongside humans and
9 provide inestimable companionship as guide dogs, service dogs, conservation dogs, livestock
10 guardians, search and rescue dogs, earth dogs, police dogs, canine soldiers serving by the
11 sides of our military men and women, and guardians of family, home, and hearth; and

12 WHEREAS, purebred dogs have been of enormous help to medical science, serving as
13 models for many heritable human diseases, playing a role in humanity's understanding of the
14 human and canine genomes, and benefitting pharmaceutical research and development; and

15 WHEREAS, purebred dogs are working dogs, serving as avalanche dogs, trackers and
16 trailers, herders, controllers of vermin, water rescuers, carting and sled dogs, retrievers,
17 protectors, hunters, and bird dogs; and

18 WHEREAS, all dogs should be valued whatever their ancestry, but the purpose-bred dog and
19 the predictability of its breed should be cherished and preserved; and

20 WHEREAS, each breed is incredibly etched in the history of the culture that created it, just
21 as surely as that culture's music, art, and language, making it abundantly fitting that we
22 recognize purebred dogs.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
24 commend the benefits and contributions of purebred dogs and recognize May 1, 2024, as
25 Purebred Dog Day in the State of Georgia.

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
27 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
28 press.