

House Resolution 399

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A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the House Study Committee on One-way Street Markings; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Georgia's vast roadway system includes numerous one-way streets; and
- 3 WHEREAS, new drivers or drivers unfamiliar with an area are often confused by one-way
4 streets, which results in wrong-way travel; and
- 5 WHEREAS, one-way street signs are often overlooked by motorists, especially when
6 following electronic navigational systems that include improper instructions or when a
7 motorist is lost; and
- 8 WHEREAS, local governments around the globe have recognized the added value of
9 providing motor vehicle drivers with warnings through the use of markings painted on
10 roadways; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in addition to proper signage, pavement demarcations promote safety for both
12 motor vehicles and pedestrians and decrease the likelihood of accidents; and

13 WHEREAS, study is needed to determine best practices for pavement demarcations for
14 one-way streets, how to determine which one-way streets should be demarcated with
15 roadway painting, and the fiscal implications of any legislative requirements relating to such
16 demarcations.

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

18 (1) **Creation of House study committee.** There is created the House Study Committee
19 on One-way Street Markings.

20 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of the following
21 members:

22 (A) Five members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of
23 the House of Representatives;

24 (B) The commissioner of transportation or his or her designee; and

25 (C) The director of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.

26 The Speaker shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson of the committee.

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

30 (4) **Meetings.** The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee
31 may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
32 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
33 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

34 (5) **Allowances, expenses, and funding.**

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

37 (B) Members of the committee who are state officials, other than legislative members,
38 or who are state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the

39 committee, but they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the
40 performance of their duties as members of the committee in the same manner as they
41 are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees.

42 (C) The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member
43 of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds
44 necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds
45 appropriated to the House of Representatives; except that funds for the reimbursement
46 of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative members, and for the
47 reimbursement of the expenses of state employees shall come from funds appropriated
48 to or otherwise available to their respective agencies.

49 **(6) Report.**

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

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

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

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

64 **(7) Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2025.