

House Resolution 947

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A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on Five Points MARTA Station Permit Issuance; and
2 for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Five Points MARTA Station rehabilitation project has been deemed an
4 important infrastructure project to propel mobility in the Atlanta region; and

5 WHEREAS, rehabilitation of the Five Points MARTA Station is critical and necessary due
6 to the water damage that has created structural integrity issues and public safety concerns for
7 the traveling public; and

8 WHEREAS, as Georgia prepares to host major events, it is vital that work on the Five Points
9 MARTA Station rehabilitation project begin in order to ensure completion in time for such
10 events and allow visitors to this state to have a positive experience with Georgia's thriving
11 tourism industry; and

12 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia has provided transit trust fund dollars to assist in the
13 completion of this important economic development project; and

14 WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has withheld critical permits that have caused delay to the
15 Five Points MARTA Station rehabilitation project, increasing the overall cost of the project
16 and its readiness to serve as an economic development recruitment tool for major events in
17 the region; and

18 WHEREAS, study is needed to investigate the reasons behind the delayed issuance of
19 permits that are necessary to commence and complete this infrastructure project that has
20 received investment by the State of Georgia.

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

22 (1) **Creation of House study committee.** There is created the House Study Committee
23 on Five Points MARTA Station Permit Issuance.

24 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of five members of the
25 House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of
26 Representatives. The Speaker shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson
27 of the committee.

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

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

35 (5) **Allowances and funding.** The legislative members of the committee shall receive
36 the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia
37 Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any
38 member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized.

39 Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds
40 appropriated to the House of Representatives.

41 **(6) Report.**

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

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

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

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

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