

Senate Resolution 888

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A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Parent Accountability for Student Success Study Committee; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, parents are the first and primary educators of their children and bear
4 fundamental responsibility for their upbringing, character development, and academic
5 support; and

6 WHEREAS, schools across the state are experiencing increased incidents of student
7 misconduct, including disrespect towards staff, physical altercations, vaping, illegal drug use,
8 and significant classroom disruptions that impede the learning environment; and

9 WHEREAS, parental engagement in monitoring student academic performance, including
10 regular review of grades and active participation in academic oversight, has declined; and

11 WHEREAS, chronic absenteeism rates are rising state-wide, undermining student
12 achievement and long-term educational outcomes; and

13 WHEREAS, a consistent state-wide accountability model is necessary to protect students and
14 staff and to ensure an orderly and effective educational environment.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

16 (1) **Creation of Senate study committee.** There is created the Senate Parent
17 Accountability for Student Success Study Committee.

18 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of five members of the
19 Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate. The President shall designate a
20 member of the committee as chairperson of the committee.

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

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

28 (5) **Allowances and funding.**

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

31 (B) The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member
32 of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds
33 necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds
34 appropriated to the Senate.

35 (6) **Report.**

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

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

43 (C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of
44 abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the committee.
45 A report so approved shall be signed by the chairperson of the committee and filed with
46 the Secretary of the Senate.

47 (D) In the absence of an approved report, the chairperson may file with the Secretary
48 of the Senate a copy of the minutes of the meetings of the committee in lieu thereof.

49 (7) **Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2026.