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Senate Resolution 72

By: Senators Hill of the 32nd, McKoon of the 29th, Gooch of the 51st, Chance of the 16th, Dugan of the 30th and others

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Creating the Senate State FairTax Study Committee; to provide for duties and responsibilities
- 2 of the committee; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Georgia is reviewing its taxation structure and the appropriateness of its various
- 4 forms of taxation; and
- 5 WHEREAS, one of the ideas for tax reform nationally is the implementation of the FairTax;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, the implementation of the FairTax at the state level should be considered one
- 8 of the methods of reforming the current system of taxation in Georgia; and
- 9 WHEREAS, it would be beneficial for a study to be undertaken of the FairTax on the state
- 10 level to determine if it would be appropriate for Georgia.
- 11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that there is created the Senate
- 12 State FairTax Study Committee to be composed of the chairperson of the Senate Finance
- 13 Committee and four members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate.
- 14 The chairperson of the Senate Finance Committee shall serve as chairperson of the
- 15 committee. The committee shall meet at the call of the chairperson.
- 16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the committee shall undertake a study of the conditions,
- 17 needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action
- 18 or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate. The committee may
- 19 conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as the chairperson may deem
- 20 necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its
- 21 duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution. The members of the
- 22 committee shall receive the allowances authorized for legislative members of interim
- 23 legislative committees from the funds appropriated to the Senate but shall receive the same

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24 for not more than five days unless additional days are authorized. All other funds necessary

- 25 to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the
- 26 Senate. In the event the committee makes a report of its findings and recommendations, with
- 27 suggestions for proposed legislation, if any, such report shall be made on or before December
- 28 31, 2013. The committee shall stand abolished on December 31, 2013.