

## House Resolution 1283

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on Safety and Consumer Protection of Nicotine Vapor  
2 Products; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Georgia has a rich and robust nicotine vapor product industry; and

4 WHEREAS, electronic cigarettes, e-liquids, and other nicotine vapor products are currently  
5 available for purchase in this state; and

6 WHEREAS, within the nicotine vapor product industry there is no current directory of  
7 products that have been vetted and approved by the Food and Drug Administration for  
8 consumer safety and consumption; and

9 WHEREAS, further study needs to be had on the consumer safety of refillable liquid vapor  
10 products that are produced from the small businesses within the nicotine vapor product  
11 industry; and

12 WHEREAS, until such products from small business manufacturers are adequately regulated  
13 by the federal government, it is important to study all of the issues surrounding electronic

14 cigarettes, e-liquids, and other nicotine vapor products while at the same time encouraging  
15 economic development in this state; and

16 WHEREAS, a study is needed to develop potential legislation or other action that would help  
17 prevent incidents leading to consumer harm or injuries in the nicotine vapor industry and  
18 protect the health and safety of those consuming the products.

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

20 (1) **Creation of House study committee.** There is created the House Study Committee  
21 on Safety and Consumer Protection of Nicotine Vapor Products.

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

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

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

33 (5) **Allowances and funding.** The legislative members of the committee shall receive  
34 the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia  
35 Annotated. The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any  
36 member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized.  
37 Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds  
38 appropriated to the House of Representatives.

39       **(6) Report.**

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

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

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

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

54       **(7) Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2024.