

House Resolution 1414

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A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on School Security; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, providing a safe learning environment for Georgia's students, teachers, and
3 other school personnel is a priority in this state; and

4 WHEREAS, various factors can affect school safety, including, but not limited to, mental
5 health concerns, infrastructure designs, equipment, the training and tasks of personnel,
6 planning, and the availability of resources; and

7 WHEREAS, to help curb incidents of violence in schools and to facilitate life-saving
8 responses when such incidents occur, study is needed on the security of schools in this state.

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

10 (1) **Creation of House study committee.** There is created the House Study Committee
11 on School Security.

12 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of nine members of the
13 House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. The
14 Speaker shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson of the committee.

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

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

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

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

25 (B) The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member
26 of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds
27 necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds
28 appropriated to the House of Representatives.

29 **(6) Report.**

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

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

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

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

44 **(7) Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2018.