

House Resolution 1596

By: Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th, and Dubnik of the 29th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating the United States House of Representatives for its passage of House
2 Resolution 620; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, on February 15, 2018, by a vote of 225-192, the United States House of
4 Representatives passed House Resolution 620, a bipartisan bill that improves disability
5 access by ensuring that property owners are provided with "notice and cure," or reasonable
6 notice of alleged violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and 120 days to
7 implement a solution to the alleged violation; and

8 WHEREAS, over the years, frivolous ADA lawsuits have eroded the integrity of the Act by
9 exploiting minor, easily correctable ADA infractions in shopping centers, theaters, stores,
10 and restaurants, such as those relating to parking lot striping and signs, bathroom dispensers,
11 and ramps; and

12 WHEREAS, H.R. 620 will increase access for those with disabilities and restore public trust
13 in the ADA by giving businesses a reasonable notice of any issues and a set timeline to
14 remedy the problem, thus reducing the amount of "drive-by" ADA lawsuits while
15 simultaneously aiding individuals with disabilities; and

16 WHEREAS, this common sense and mutually beneficial piece of legislation is now pending
17 in the United States Senate.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
19 the members of this body recognize the benefits of House Resolution 620 and congratulate
20 the United States House of Representatives on the occasion of its passage.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
22 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to
23 Georgia's delegation to the United States Congress, the public, and the press.