

## House Resolution 682

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the House Study Committee on Higher Education Outcomes; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia's higher education system is among the most innovative  
4 and forward-thinking in the country; and

5 WHEREAS, the nature of work is changing and the economy demands unique higher  
6 education credentials, including degrees, certifications, and other forms of continuing  
7 education; and

8 WHEREAS, higher education can be a life-changing decision for a student, but it is  
9 important for students, parents, educators, and policy makers to make informed decisions on  
10 how to respond to an evolving labor market; and

11 WHEREAS, further study by this body on higher education outcomes is warranted and  
12 needed.

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

14 (1) **Creation of House study committee.** There is created the House Study Committee  
15 on Higher Education Outcomes.

16 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of seven members of the  
17 House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
18 Representatives. The Speaker shall designate a member of the committee as chairperson  
19 of the committee.

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

23 (4) **Meetings.** The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee  
24 may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or

25 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and  
26 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

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

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

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

34 **(6) Report.**

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

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

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

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

49 **(7) Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2019.