

The House Committee on Transportation offers the following substitute to HR 999:

#### A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Georgia Department of Transportation to study truck safety with regard to  
2 permitting such vehicles to use the far-left lane of travel and to report any and all findings  
3 to the House Committee on Transportation; and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, safety for pedestrians and motorists traveling in Georgia is of the utmost  
5 importance to the General Assembly; and

6 WHEREAS, current issues with the supply chain have highlighted the vital role the trucking  
7 industry plays in the economy of the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, according to Code Section 40-6-52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
9 trucks must use lanes designated by the Georgia Department of Transportation, and, if no  
10 lanes are designated and two or three lanes are available, trucks may not use the far-left lane  
11 except to pass or turn left; and

12 WHEREAS, allowing trucks to use the far-left lane when on a long-haul route with no plans  
13 to exit the highway would decrease travel time for moving cargo and improve safety by  
14 limiting lane changes made by trucks; and

15 WHEREAS, study is needed by the department to determine whether a change in state law  
16 relating to designated travel lanes and prohibitions on truck travel is warranted and such  
17 determination should be reported back to the House Committee on Transportation.

18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
19 the members of this body urge the Georgia Department of Transportation to study truck  
20 safety with regard to permitting such vehicles to use the far-left lane of travel and to report  
21 any and all findings to the House Committee on Transportation.

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
23 and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to  
24 members of the Georgia Department of Transportation.