

Senate Resolution 132

By: Senators Cowser of the 46th, Shafer of the 48th, Gooch of the 51st and Kennedy of the 18th

ADOPTED SENATE

A RESOLUTION

1 Relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

2 **PART I**

3 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA** that, except as
4 otherwise provided by this resolution or by subsequent resolution of the General Assembly,
5 meetings of the 2017 regular session of the General Assembly during the period of Tuesday,
6 February 7, 2017, through Thursday, March 30, 2017, shall be held in accordance with the
7 following schedule:

- 8 Tuesday, February 7 convene for legislative day 13
- 9 Wednesday, February 8 convene for legislative day 14
- 10 Thursday, February 9 convene for legislative day 15
- 11 Friday, February 10 convene for legislative day 16

- 12 Tuesday, February 14 convene for legislative day 17
- 13 Wednesday, February 15 convene for legislative day 18
- 14 Thursday, February 16 convene for legislative day 19
- 15 Friday, February 17 convene for legislative day 20

- 16 Tuesday, February 21 convene for legislative day 21
- 17 Wednesday, February 22 convene for legislative day 22
- 18 Thursday, February 23 convene for legislative day 23
- 19 Friday, February 24 convene for legislative day 24

- 20 Monday, February 27 convene for legislative day 25
- 21 Tuesday, February 28 convene for legislative day 26
- 22 Wednesday, March 1 convene for legislative day 27

- 23 Friday, March 3 convene for legislative day 28

- 24 Monday, March 6 convene for legislative day 29

- 25 Thursday, March 9 convene for legislative day 30
- 26 Friday, March 10 convene for legislative day 31

- 27 Monday, March 13 convene for legislative day 32
- 28 Tuesday, March 14 convene for legislative day 33
- 29 Wednesday, March 15 convene for legislative day 34
- 30 Thursday, March 16 convene for legislative day 35

- 31 Monday, March 20 convene for legislative day 36

- 32 Wednesday, March 22 convene for legislative day 37

- 33 Friday, March 24 convene for legislative day 38

- 34 Tuesday, March 28 convene for legislative day 39

- 35 Thursday, March 30 convene for legislative day 40

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meetings of the General Assembly shall be held as
 37 prescribed in Code Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, except as
 38 otherwise provided by this resolution. The hours for convening and adjourning the House
 39 of Representatives for each legislative day may be as ordered by the House; and the hours
 40 for convening and adjourning the Senate for each legislative day may be as ordered by the
 41 Senate. Each house, upon its own adjournment for a legislative day, shall remain in a period
 42 of adjournment until it convenes for the next legislative day.

43 **PART II**

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting
 45 from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or
 46 impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta,
 47 Fulton County, and the Governor has by proclamation declared an emergency temporary
 48 location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with Code Section 38-3-52,
 49 the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint
 50 agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution
 51 and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at such temporary location or
 52 locations in accordance with Code Sections 38-3-52 and 38-3-53 on such date and at such
 53 time as they deem practical.

54 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting
55 from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or
56 impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta,
57 Fulton County, but the Governor has not by proclamation declared an emergency temporary
58 location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with the above, the Speaker
59 of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement,
60 order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and
61 provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton
62 County, on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the
64 discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the Speaker of
65 the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall provide for prompt notice
66 of the same to all members of the House of Representatives and all members of the Senate,
67 respectively, by such means as such officers deem practical and efficient; and each house
68 shall be and remain in adjournment until convening for the next legislative day on the date
69 certain jointly specified by such officers. Following such reconvening, the General
70 Assembly may provide by joint resolution for a new schedule for meetings and
71 adjournments.

72 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as to any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the
73 discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the adoption
74 of this resolution by the General Assembly shall constitute the consent of both the House of
75 Representatives and the Senate for purposes of Article III, Section IV, Paragraph I(b) of the
76 Constitution.