

Senate Resolution 267

By: Senator Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd

**ADOPTED**

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the United States Army Corps of Engineers to close Noyes Cut in the Satilla River  
2 System; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, between the years of 1900 and 1935, a small channel was cut within the coastal  
4 marshlands of Georgia to form a canal to the Satilla River System, creating an alternative  
5 intracoastal waterway route for purposes of floating timber to coastal sawmills; and

6 WHEREAS, the canal has long outlived its purpose; and

7 WHEREAS, the century-old Noyes Cut has disrupted the natural flow of streams to the point  
8 that heavy siltation has occurred, creating navigational problems; and

9 WHEREAS, the United States Army Corps of Engineers has, in the past, considered a project  
10 to install earthen plugs at the Noyes Cut site and other cut sites; and

11 WHEREAS, such project would increase the width and depth of the waterway and create a  
12 natural dredging of the silt which currently settles to the bottom during periods of low flow,  
13 restoring the migrations of fish in the Satilla River and tidal creeks and improving routes for  
14 boaters.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
16 GEORGIA that the members of this body join in urging the United States Army Corps of  
17 Engineers to implement the proposed project for plugging Noyes Cut within the Satilla River  
18 System.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
20 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the United States Army Corps of  
21 Engineers.