

Senate Resolution 632

By: Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st, Robertson of the 29th, Kennedy of the 18th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing the importance of maximizing the expenditure of public funds for the direct
2 benefit of student learning and teaching in Georgia's public schools and urging all local
3 boards of education and other governing bodies responsible for the operation of public
4 schools to exceed the requirements of the "Classrooms First for Georgia Act" and ensure that
5 more than 65 percent of all public school expenditures are for activities directly associated
6 with the interaction between teachers and students; and for other purposes.

7 WHEREAS, in 2006, the "Classrooms First for Georgia Act," (Ga. L. 2006, p.56) was
8 enacted to require that 65 percent of all public school expenditures are for activities directly
9 associated with the interaction between teachers and students; and

10 WHEREAS, each person who is responsible for the expenditure of public funds for educating
11 Georgia students should be fully committed to going above and beyond the requirements of
12 the "Classrooms First for Georgia Act"; and

13 WHEREAS, although Georgia's public schools can and do benefit from the flexibility that
14 state law has afforded them in recent years, local boards of education and other governing
15 bodies of public schools should remain committed to maximizing the expenditure of public
16 funds for the direct benefit of student learning and teaching.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body recognizes the
18 importance of maximizing the expenditure of public funds for the direct benefit of student
19 learning and teaching in Georgia's public schools and urging all local boards of education and
20 other governing bodies responsible for the operation of public schools to exceed the
21 requirements of the "Classrooms First for Georgia Act" and ensure that more than 65 percent
22 of all public school expenditures are for activities directly associated with the interaction
23 between teachers and students.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
25 to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the public and the
26 press.