

Senate Resolution 85

By: Senators Harbison of the 15th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hill of the 4th, Payne of the 54th, Anderson of the 43rd and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the General Assembly to
 2 provide for the proceeds of one or more lottery games to benefit military veterans; to provide
 3 for authorized purposes; to provide for appropriations; to provide for the submission of this
 4 amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Article I, Section II, Paragraph VIII of the Constitution is amended by adding a new
 8 subparagraph to read as follows:

9 "(e) The General Assembly is authorized to provide for the proceeds of one or more
 10 games operated within a lottery authorized by subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph to assist
 11 with one or more of the following purposes as provided by general law:

12 (1) Veterans' post traumatic stress disorder;

13 (2) Veterans' homelessness;

14 (3) The health insurance costs of veterans;

15 (4) Veterans' disability benefits, including, but not limited to, disability benefits
 16 provided by veterans service organizations and veterans assistance commissions or
 17 centers;

18 (5) The long-term care of veterans; and

19 (6) Veteran employment and employment training.

20 The proceeds of such games shall be accounted for separately and shall be appropriated
 21 for such purposes in the same manner provided for education purposes in subparagraph (c)
 22 of this Paragraph."

23 SECTION 2.

24 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
 25 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
 26 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

27 " YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize the General
28 NO Assembly to provide for one or more games operated by the state lottery to
29 benefit military veterans?"

30 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
31 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
32 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
33 become a part of the Constitution of this state.