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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1157

Sponsors: Representative Hardaway.

Referred to: Rules, Appointments and Calendar.

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1 A JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
2 COMMISSION TO STUDY AND DEVELOP A STATE-MANDATED
3 COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING PROGRAM.

4 Whereas, comprehensive planning is the identification of future goals and
5 actions in a number of areas including land use, economic development, resource
6 management and preservation, transportation, and infrastructure;

7 Whereas, comprehensive planning on the local, regional, and State level will
8 be beneficial to the State and its citizens;

9 Whereas, a number of programs, studies, and proposals have been established
10 relating to one or more aspects of comprehensive planning in the State;

11 Whereas, no coordinated program has been established to implement
12 statewide comprehensive planning in this State;

13 Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

14 Section 1. The Legislative Research Commission may study and develop a
15 State-mandated comprehensive planning program in which comprehensive plans are
16 developed by local governments and coordinated at a regional and State level.

17 (a) The Commission's study shall address the following issues, along with others
18 deemed necessary by the Commission to develop a statewide comprehensive planning
19 program:

- 20 (1) Program goals;
- 21 (2) Coverage of comprehensive planning in terms of jurisdictions and
22 activities to be included;
- 23 (3) Mandatory versus optional participation in the program;

- 1 (4) Oversight responsibility for the program;
2 (5) Program financing;
3 (6) Coordination and roles of existing programs and agencies dealing with
4 related subjects;
5 (7) Coordination of the local, regional, and State agencies involved in the
6 proposed planning process;
7 (8) Time frame for planning process and completion; and
8 (9) Legislative changes necessary to implement program.

9 (b) In evaluating the issues set forth in subsection (a) of this section, the
10 Commission shall consider the programs and experiences of other states relating to
11 statewide or state-mandated comprehensive planning, and shall use as a model the 1989
12 legislation adopted by the State of Georgia which established a state-mandated
13 comprehensive planning program.

14 Sec. 2. The Legislative Research Commission shall report its findings and
15 recommendations to the 1993 General Assembly, and may make an interim report to the
16 1991 General Assembly, 1992 Regular Session.

17 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.