

## Senate Resolution 136

By: Senators Hodges of the 3rd, Still of the 48th, Williams of the 25th, Payne of the 54th, Hickman of the 4th and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the contributions of the Georgia Addiction Counselors Association and its  
2 commitment to delivering evidence-based practices to individuals with substance use  
3 disorders through recognized standards of education, training, and competencies as it  
4 celebrates 45 years of service to Georgia; and for other purposes.

5 WHEREAS, the addiction professional workforce represents more than 1,500 counselors,  
6 educators, and other addiction-focused health care professionals; and

7 WHEREAS, addiction professionals specialize in prevention, intervention, treatment,  
8 recovery support, and education; and

9 WHEREAS, addiction professionals work across a wide variety of settings, including  
10 outpatient care centers, mental health and substance use disorder facilities, general medicine  
11 and surgical hospitals, psychiatric and substance use disorder hospitals, private practices,  
12 clinics, prisons, probation agencies, juvenile detention facilities, halfway houses,  
13 detoxification centers, and more; and

14 WHEREAS, addiction professionals address the full range of substance use disorders in  
15 communities across the treatment and recovery continuum, including responding to the  
16 current opioid crisis; and

17 WHEREAS, the Georgia Addiction Counselors Association provides evidence-based care  
18 for substance use disorders, training, and competencies for delivering quality care while  
19 saving lives, restoring families, and strengthening communities across Georgia.

20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
21 congratulate the Georgia Addiction Counselors Association for 45 years of service to the  
22 people of Georgia and commend its leadership in service to all those across Georgia seeking  
23 recovery from addiction.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
25 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Georgia  
26 Addiction Counselors Association.