

Senate Resolution 476

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A RESOLUTION

1 Creating the Senate Study Committee on Artificial Intelligence; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, artificial intelligence ("AI"), the development of computer systems to perform
3 tasks that normally require human intelligence, such as learning and decision-making, has
4 the potential to spur innovation and transform industry and government; and

5 WHEREAS, as the science and technology of AI continue to develop, more products and
6 services are utilizing AI in fields such as healthcare, financial services, education, housing,
7 and transportation. Such utilization may ultimately displace certain jobs and fields of
8 employment; and

9 WHEREAS, there are valid concerns about potential misuse or unintended consequences of
10 AI, especially without the development and implementation of ethical standards that seek to
11 preserve the dignity, autonomy, and self-determination of individuals; and

12 WHEREAS, in the 2023 legislative session, at least 25 states, Puerto Rico, and the District
13 of Columbia introduced AI bills, and 18 states and Puerto Rico adopted resolutions or
14 enacted legislation in this area; and

15 WHEREAS, it is important that this state establish policies and procedures concerning the
16 development, procurement, implementation, utilization, and ongoing assessment of systems
17 that employ AI and are in use by state agencies; and

18 WHEREAS, promoting responsible innovation, competition, and collaboration in public and
19 private sectors will allow Georgia to be a leader in ensuring that such technology will
20 advance in a way that enforces the existing consumer protection laws and principles for its
21 citizens, while enacting any additional appropriate safeguards against, fraud, unintended bias,
22 discrimination, infringements on privacy, and other potential harms from AI; and

23 WHEREAS, it is in best interest of this state and its citizens to examine AI technologies and
24 their current and future use in this state.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

26 (1) **Creation of Senate study committee.** There is created the Senate Study Committee
27 on Artificial Intelligence.

28 (2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of seven members to be
29 appointed by the President of the Senate as follows:

30 (A) Four members of the Senate;

31 (B) An instructor at an institution of higher education who has expert knowledge of and
32 experience with AI technology;

33 (C) An attorney with expert knowledge of and experience with federal and state laws
34 concerning AI; and

35 (D) A business professional with expert knowledge of and experience with AI
36 technologies and products.

37 The President of the Senate shall designate a legislative member of the committee as
38 chairperson of the committee.

39 (3) **Powers and duties.** The committee shall undertake a study of the conditions, needs,
40 issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or
41 legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate.

42 (4) **Meetings.** The chairperson shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee
43 may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or
44 convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and
45 accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

46 (5) **Allowances, expenses, and funding.**

47 (A) The legislative members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided
48 for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

49 (B) Members of the committee who are state officials, other than legislative members,
50 or who are state employees shall receive no compensation for their service on the
51 committee, but they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the
52 performance of their duties as members of the committee in the same manner as they
53 are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees.

54 (C) Members of the committee who are not legislators, state officials, or state
55 employees shall receive a daily expense allowance in an amount the same as that
56 specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21 of the Official Code of Georgia
57 Annotated, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state
58 employees.

59 (D) The allowances authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member
60 of the committee for more than 12 days unless additional days are authorized. Funds
61 necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds
62 appropriated to the Senate; except that funds for the reimbursement of expenses of state
63 officials, other than legislative members, and for the reimbursement of expenses of state
64 employees shall come from funds appropriated to or otherwise available to their
65 respective agencies.

66 (6) **Report.**

67 (A) In the event the committee adopts any specific findings or recommendations that
68 include suggestions for proposed legislation, the chairperson shall file a report of the
69 same prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution, subject to
70 subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

71 (B) In the event the committee adopts a report that does not include suggestions for
72 proposed legislation, the chairperson shall file the report, subject to subparagraph (C) of
73 this paragraph.

74 (C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of
75 abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the committee.
76 A report so approved shall be signed by the chairperson of the committee and filed with
77 the Secretary of the Senate.

78 (D) In the absence of an approved report, the chairperson may file with the Secretary of
79 the Senate a copy of the minutes of the meetings of the committee in lieu thereof.

80 (7) **Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2024.