

Science and Technology Committee Roster

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SENATE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

2011-2012 RULES

1. All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public in accordance with Senate Rule [1-5.1].
2. The quorum for the Science and Technology Committee shall be three (3) members.
3. The Chairman shall determine which bills and resolutions are to be considered and the order in which said measures are considered; the Chairman shall have the authority to call a bill, resolution, substitute or amendment for debate and explanation only.
4. The Chairman shall have the sole authority to refer bills and resolutions to subcommittees for study. Such subcommittees, in turn, shall have the authority to make recommendations on such measures to the full committee. All actions of any subcommittee shall be approved or disapproved by the standing Committee.
5. The committee shall convene, recess and adjourn upon the order of the Chairman.
6. The Chairman reserves the right to delay action on substitutes and amendments not provided to the Chairman at least 48 hours prior to hearing.
7. Any member or members of the Committee who disagree with the majority report of the Committee shall be privileged to file a Minority report in writing, setting forth concise reasons for their dissent.
8. These rules may be amended or waived upon a motion duly made and subsequently approved by a quorum of the Committee, in a meeting called by the Chairman.
9. A bill, resolution, or other matter will be considered only after presentation by its principal author or a legislator whom he or she designated to do so. In the event that more than one member of the General Assembly has signed a measure, the principal author shall be the one whose name appears first in the list of authors.
10. When these rules are silent on a specific issue, the Rules of the Senate, as adopted, shall govern.

Minutes
Senate Science and Technology Committee
February 7, 2011

The Senate Science and Technology Committee had their first meeting on February 7, 2011 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 307 of the Coverdell Legislative Office Building.

Committee members present at the meeting were:

Senator Barry Loudermilk, 52nd, Chairman

Senator John Albers, 56th, Vice Chairman

Senator Jason Carter, 42nd, Secretary

Senator Nan Orrock, 36th

Senator Bill Heath, 31st

Chairman Loudermilk opened the meeting by calling upon each Senator to introduce themselves and describe the district they represent.

Senate Science and Technology Committee Rules

Chairman Loudermilk then asked the Committee to review the Senate Science and Technology Committee Rules which were placed in their Committee folder in order to adopt the rules. The motion to adopt the rules passed unanimously, and the Science and Technology Committee Rules were adopted.

SR 68 (Loudermilk, 52nd) Creates the Science and Technology Strategic Initiative Joint Study Commission

Chairman Loudermilk introduced the Resolution by presenting its purpose to develop a strategic plan for science and technology in Georgia. He further explained the Commission will be composed of 11 members as follows: one member of the Senate Science and Technology Committee and one member of the Senate Economic Development Committee appointed by the chairperson of the respective committee; one member of the House Committee on Science and Technology and one member of the House Committee on Economic Development appointed by the chairperson of the respective committee; three individuals from the private sector with a background in science and technology, with one such member each being appointed by the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Commissioner of Economic Development; the Georgia Technology Authority Chief Information Officer; the State School Superintendent; the Commissioner of the Technical College System of Georgia; and the Chairman of the Board of Regents.

*The Committee Substitute adds the Commissioner of the Technical College System of Georgia as a member.

There were no questions; Senator Loudermilk moved “Do Pass” and the Resolution passed with the Committee Substitute unanimously.

There being no further business, Chairman Loudermilk adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Senator Jason Carter, 42nd
Secretary

/s/ Marcie Draper
Recording Secretary

Minutes
Senate Science and Technology Committee
April 1, 2011

The Senate Science and Technology Committee held their final meeting on April 1, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 125 of the Capitol.

Committee members present at the meeting were:

Senator Barry Loudermilk, 52nd, Chairman

Senator Jason Carter, 42nd, Secretary

Senator Nan Orrock, 36th

SR 473 (Seay of the 34th) Creates the Senate Study Committee on Bridging the Digital Divide in Aging Communities

Chairman Loudermilk welcomed everyone to the meeting and called upon Senator Jason Carter to present the Resolution, as Senator Seay was not present. Senator Carter explained the importance of creating a Senate Study Committee designed to Bridge the Digital Divide in Aging Communities. He proceeded to announce the Committee will be composed of five members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate.

Senator Orrock moved “Do Pass” and the Resolution passed unanimously.

There was no further business to attend, and Chairman Loudermilk adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Senator Jason Carter, 42nd
Secretary

/s/ Marcie Draper
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