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Senate Economic Development Committee Rules 2013 – 2014

1. A quorum for the Committee shall be seven (7) members.
2. The Chair shall determine bills and resolutions to be considered and the order in which such are called. The Chair also has the discretion to decide which amendments to accept and to their germaneness.
3. A bill, resolution, or other matter will be considered only after presentation by the principal author or a legislator whom he/she may designate. In the event more than one member of the Georgia Assembly has signed a measure, the principal author shall be the one whose name appears first in the list of authors.
4. The Committee shall convene, recess, and adjourn upon the order of the Chair.
5. The rules of the Senate shall prevail in all matters not covered by Committee rules.
6. These rules may be amended upon motion duly made and subsequently approved by three-fourths of the members of the Committee provided that written notice has been given 48 hours prior to the Committee meeting.
7. Any member(s) of the Committee who disagrees with the majority report of the Committee shall have the privilege to file a minority report.
8. The Chair shall have the authority to refer bills and resolutions to subcommittees for study. Such subcommittees shall have the authority to make recommendations to the full Committee; but no measure will be returned to the full Senate except after consideration by the full Committee.

THE SENATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE met Monday, February 10, 2014, in room 310 CLOB.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Ginn, 47th, Chairman
Senator Jeffares, 17th, Secretary
Senator Albers, 56th
Senator Beach, 21st
Senator Chance, 16th
Senator Jackson, 2nd
Senator James, 35th
Senator Lucas, 26th
Senator Mullis, 53rd
Senator Thompson, 14th

NOTE: Senators Gooch, 51st, Davis, 22nd and Dugan, 30th were absent.

Chairman Ginn, 47th, called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

SB 353 (Senator Beach, 21st) Development Authorities; change a definition; revision of public purpose; changes to general powers

Senator Beach, 21st presented the bill to the committee. Lou Horn, an attorney for the Development Authority, spoke in favor of the bill. Senator Mullis, 53rd, made a motion that **SB 353 “DO PASS BY SUBSTITUTE”**. Senator James, 35th, seconded the motion. The bill passed unanimously.

SR 820 (Senator Hill, 32nd) Senate Entrepreneur in Residence Study Committee; create

Senator Hill, 32nd, presented the resolution to the committee explaining that the resolution would create a study committee. Senator Albers, 56th, made a motion that **SR 820 “DO PASS”**. Senator Chance, 16th, seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Susan Henry, Recording Secretary

/s/ Senator Rick Jeffares, 17th, Secretary

THE SENATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE met Thursday, March 6, 2014, in room 310 CLOB.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Ginn, 47th, Chairman
Senator Jeffares, 17th, Secretary
Senator Beach, 21st
Senator Dugan, 30th
Senator James, 35th
Senator Lucas, 26th
Senator Mullis, 53rd
Senator Thompson, 14th

NOTE: Senators Gooch, 51st, Albers, 56th, Davis, 22nd, Chance, 16th, and Jackson, 2nd were absent.

Chairman Ginn, 47th, called the meeting to order at 1:41 p.m.

[SR 958](#) (Senator Shafer, 48th) A Regulation Freedom Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

Senator Shafer, 48th, presented the resolution to the committee. Senator Mullis, 53rd, made a motion that [SR 958](#) **“DO PASS”**. Senator Dugan, 30th, seconded the motion. The resolution passed unanimously.

[HB 128](#) (Representative Peake, 141st) Georgia Downtown Renaissance Investment Tax Credit Act; enact

Representative Peake, 141st, presented the bill to the committee. Lamar Norton with Georgia Municipal Association spoke in favor of the bill. Senator Beach, 21st, made a motion that [HB 128](#) **“DO PASS”**. Senator James, 35th, seconded the motion. The bill passed unanimously.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Susan Henry, Recording Secretary

/s/ Senator Rick Jeffares, 17th, Secretary