

Senate Resolution 588

By: Senators Albers of the 56th, Beach of the 21st, Ligon, Jr. of the 3rd, Robertson of the 29th, Unterman of the 45th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to lower in-state tuition
2 rates and associated fees by four percent in 2020 and by six percent in 2021; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, hard-working Georgians deserve an affordable and accessible means of
5 bettering themselves and furthering their knowledge; and

6 WHEREAS, a proper quality education for the people of this state is critical to meet the
7 demands of the economy and is the single most important objective of the Senate; and

8 WHEREAS, in the interest of achieving better efficacy with taxpayer money, the legislature
9 and Governor of Georgia have pursued superior methods of managing and utilizing tax
10 revenue by leveraging relevant efficiencies and technologies; and

11 WHEREAS, lowering in-state tuition rates and associated fees would open the door for many
12 Georgians to pursue higher education without the fear of crippling student debt; and

13 WHEREAS, achieving a more educated citizenry and workforce would bolster the economy
14 of Georgia and allow Georgians to earn more money, become better global citizens, and gain
15 the level of literacy necessary to navigate the current political, technological, and cultural
16 landscapes of modern day America.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
18 urge the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to lower in-state tuition rates
19 and associated fees by four percent in 2020 and by six percent in 2021.

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
21 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Board of
22 Regents of the University System of Georgia.