

House Resolution 1183 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the General Assembly by
 2 general law may impose additional penalties or fees for the offense of reckless driving and
 3 may provide for the allocation of such additional penalties or fees to the Brain and Spinal
 4 Injury Trust Fund, as provided by law, for the specified purpose of meeting any and all costs,
 5 or any portion of the costs, of providing care and rehabilitative services to citizens of this
 6 state who have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries; to provide for related
 7 matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for
 8 other purposes.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

10 Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI of the Constitution is amended by revising
 11 subparagraph (k) as follows:
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13 "(k) The General Assembly is authorized to provide by general law for additional
 14 penalties or fees in any case in any court in this state in which a person is adjudged guilty
 15 of an offense involving driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs or reckless driving.
 16 The General Assembly is authorized to provide by general law for the allocation of such
 17 additional penalties or fees to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund, as provided by law,
 18 for the specified purpose of meeting any and all costs, or any portion of the costs, of
 19 providing care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived
 20 neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries. Moneys appropriated for such purposes
 21 shall not lapse. The General Assembly may provide by general law for the administration
 22 of such fund by such authority as the General Assembly shall determine."

SECTION 2.

23 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
 24 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
 25 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:
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27 " YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended to allow additional reckless
28 NO driving penalties or fees to be added to the Brain and Spinal Injury Trust
29 Fund to pay for care and rehabilitative services for Georgia citizens who
30 have survived neurotrauma with head or spinal cord injuries?"

31 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
32 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
33 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
34 become a part of the Constitution of this state.