



THE STATE OF GEORGIA

EXECUTIVE ORDER

BY THE GOVERNOR:

- WHEREAS:** Traffic congestion has a significant impact on Georgia's environment and the quality of life for many of Georgia's citizens;
- WHEREAS:** Telework enables employees to work outside of the traditional workplace, thereby reducing commuting and mitigating congestion;
- WHEREAS:** Telework increases employee productivity and improves the quality of life for participants;
- WHEREAS:** Telework is a potential means of job creation in remote and rural areas;
- WHEREAS:** The availability of telework opportunities enables Georgians to compete for jobs throughout the state and allows employers to retain and recruit employees in high congestion areas;
- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia is currently promoting telework options for the public sector workforce through the Work Away Program;
- WHEREAS:** An increase in telework options among Georgia's private sector should positively impact economic development for the state; and
- WHEREAS:** Both the public and private sector would benefit from sharing best practices;

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED: That there is created the Georgia Telework Task Force which is charged with the responsibility to:

Evaluate the status of telework throughout Georgia's business community and state program.

Identify options for increasing telework participation through an examination of successes within Georgia and in other states and through innovative proposals.

Assess the fiscal impact of these solutions to the state.

Propose strategies, policies and/or legislation that will further advance economic, transportation, community and environmental progress in the state of Georgia through the encouragement of teleworking among Georgia's public and private sector.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: The Georgia Merit System is charged with providing administrative support for Georgia Telework Task Force, and the Task Force shall present their report to the Governor by December 15, 2005, at which time the Task Force shall be dissolved.

IT IS FURTHER

ORDERED: That Chuck Martin is appointed as chair of the Task Force to serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

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ORDERED: That the following individuals are hereby appointed as members to the Georgia Telework Task Force:

Reinhardt Breckner
Cherise Cameron
Dorothy Gordon
Melody Harrison
Renee Herr
Sandy Hofmann
Randy Keith
Ellen Macht
Brenda Purcell
Shawn Raess
Cecil Staton
Jeff Strane
Davidae Walker
Bill Wallace

This 2nd day of August, 2005.


GOVERNOR