

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

*Rules Suspended

[HB 1312.](#)

By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Hagan of the 156th, and McCollum of the 30th:
A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act relating to regulation and taxation of electricity used as motor fuel and electric vehicle charging stations, approved May 2, 2023, (Ga. L. 2023, p. 376/SB 146), so as to extend the effective date of provisions relative to regulative authority of the Department of Agriculture and revenue and taxation; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TECHNOLOGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE
INNOVATION

[HB 1313.](#)

By Representatives Burnough of the 77th, Bell of the 75th, Douglas of the 78th, Holly of the 116th, and Scott of the 76th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the assessment and collection of an eviction mediation program fee by the Magistrate Court of Clayton County; to identify the authorized uses of such fee; to provide for the termination of such fee and dedication of residual funds; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1314.](#)

By Representatives Romman of the 97th, Gunter of the 8th, Au of the 50th, Camp of the 135th, and Stoner of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services, so as to designate emergency medical services, including ambulance service, as an essential service in this state; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HEALTH

[HB 1315.](#)

By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Corbett of the 174th, Jones of the 25th, Campbell of the 171st, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to provide for a state-wide exemption from all ad valorem taxes for aircraft used exclusively for the aerial application of fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, seeds, or other agricultural products; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates, applicability, and automatic repeal; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 1316.](#)

By Representative Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Cordele, approved July 29, 2020 (Ga. L. 2020, p. 4122), so as to transition the office of chairperson to at large commission member; to provide for a mayor to be selected by and among the commission members; to redesignate the office of vice chairperson to mayor pro tempore; to revise voting and quorum provisions related to the commission; to make conforming changes; to provide that the city manager shall recommend the annual budget to the commission in place of the chairperson; to provide that the chairperson on the effective date of this Act shall become the initial at large commission member; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1317.](#)

By Representative Holcomb of the 81st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, so as to repeal provisions regarding fornication and adultery; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[HB 1318.](#)

By Representative Holcomb of the 81st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, so as to repeal Chapter 10, relating to the Georgia Rail Passenger Authority Overview Committee, and designate it as reserved; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 1319.](#)

By Representatives Clark of the 100th, Hong of the 103rd, Mughal of the 105th, McCollum of the 30th, and Reeves of the 99th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from City of Buford ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes for the full value of the homestead for residents of that city who are 70 years of age or over, approved May 6, 2005, (Ga. L. 2005 p. 3893), so as to lower the age for the exemption; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, automatic repeal, mandatory execution of election, and judicial remedies regarding failure to comply; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1320.](#)

By Representatives Clark of the 100th, Hong of the 103rd, Mughal of the 105th, McCollum of the 30th, and Reeves of the 99th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from City of Buford ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the amount of \$22,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of the City of Buford, approved May 6, 2005 (Ga. L. 2005, p. 3890), so as to increase the exemption; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, automatic repeal, mandatory execution of election, and judicial remedies regarding failure to comply; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1321.](#)

By Representatives Bell of the 75th, Holland of the 54th, and Sharper of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property, so as to prohibit condominium associations, property owners' associations, and homeowners' associations from preventing property owners from installing solar energy devices on common roofs or roof structures; to provide for

burden of costs for removal and reinstallation of solar energy devices to allow for repair of common roofs or roof structures; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES & TELECOMMUNICATIONS

[HB 1322.](#)

By Representatives Cannon of the 172nd, Corbett of the 174th, Rhodes of the 124th, Williams of the 148th, Pirkle of the 169th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Hemp Farming Act," so as to regulate consumable hemp products; to provide for definitions; to provide for the establishment of delta-9-THC concentration; to require such products be packaged in certain containers; to provide restrictions on the sale of consumable hemp products; to provide restrictions on advertisements of such products; to provide for a restriction on the location of retail establishments that sell such products; to provide restrictions on the advertisement or representation of such retail establishments; to conform terminology; to provide effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[HB 1323.](#)

By Representatives Scott of the 76th, Bonner of the 73rd, Davis of the 87th, Gladney of the 130th, Tarvin of the 2nd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act," so as to provide certain protections for veterans and other eligible persons applying for military benefits; to provide for limitations; to provide for violations; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on DEFENSE & VETERANS AFFAIRS

[HB 1324.](#)

By Representatives Leverett of the 123rd, Efstration of the 104th, Williamson of the 112th, Corbett of the 174th, Pirkle of the 169th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 3 of Chapter 1 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ride share network services and transportation referral services, so as to exempt ride share network services from

vicarious liability for actions of ride share drivers by virtue of such ride share network service owning, operating, or maintaining a digital or internet network; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HB 1325.](#)

By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Gaines of the 120th, Kelley of the 16th, Oliver of the 82nd, and Crowe of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax exemptions, so as to provide for a state-wide homestead exemption from ad valorem taxes for certain senior citizens who volunteer with local governments in an amount to be determined by such local governments; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for approval and identification of additional terms and conditions by local governing authorities; to provide for related matters; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to provide for contingent repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 1326.](#)

By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Jasperse of the 11th, Hawkins of the 27th, and Cooper of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to controlled substances, so as to provide for certain provisions relating to Schedule I controlled substances, Schedule III controlled substances, and Schedule IV controlled substances; to provide for certain provisions relating to the definition of dangerous drugs; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HEALTH

[HB 1327.](#)

By Representatives Seabaugh of the 34th, Adesanya of the 43rd, Williams of the 37th, and Anulewicz of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a system of public schools for the City of Marietta in the County of Cobb, approved December 29, 1890 (Ga. L. 1890-91,

Vol. II, p. 1014), as amended particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, 3701), so as to provide for compensation of the board; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1328.](#)

By Representatives Glaize of the 67th, Paris of the 142nd, Gladney of the 130th, Barnes of the 86th, Campbell of the 35th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to add a program for students living in poverty to the table of quality basic education instructional programs with weights and student-teacher ratios; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[HB 1329.](#)

By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Kelley of the 16th, Neal of the 79th, and Williams of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to authorize and provide for the regulation and taxation of fantasy contests in this state; to provide for additional powers and duties of the Georgia Lottery Corporation; to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to gambling, so as to exclude any consideration paid to a fantasy contest operator licensee from the definition of "bet"; to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to exempt entry fees for fantasy contests; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

[HB 1330.](#)

By Representatives Stoner of the 40th, Cummings of the 39th, and Anulewicz of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act known as the "South Cobb Development Authority Act," approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 3772), as amended, so as to change the name of the authority to the Mableton Development Authority; to revise the short title; to revise provisions related to the selection of membership of the authority; to provide for continuation in office of current board members; to provide for the selection

of board officers; to revise the geographical area of operations of the authority; to revise the purposes and objectives of the authority; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1331.](#)

By Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Gullett of the 19th, Reeves of the 99th, and Crowe of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of criminal procedure, so as to require each district attorney's office to post certain information concerning cases to the office's website if such a website exists; to provide for records and public disclosure if such office does not have a website; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50, relating to inspection of public records, so as to require certain information about pending investigations or prosecution of criminal or unlawful activity to be subject to public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[HB 1332.](#)

By Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Newton of the 127th, Hatchett of the 155th, Clark of the 100th, and Stinson of the 150th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation and construction of hospitals and other healthcare facilities, so as to prohibit healthcare facilities from instituting any policy that limits patients' abilities to be visited by a legal representative as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a healthcare facility; to provide for a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to authorize temporary suspension or termination of access of a legal representative; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HEALTH

[HB 1333.](#)

By Representatives Evans of the 89th, Drenner of the 85th, Davis of the 87th, Roberts of the 52nd, Mitchell of the 88th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to authorize county and municipal law enforcement agencies to employ civilian personnel to investigate traffic accidents

involving property damage; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for the establishment of a training program for civilian traffic investigators by the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council; to amend Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the uniform rules of the road, so as to authorize civilian traffic investigators to assist in directing and regulating the flow of traffic; to provide that civilian traffic investigators utilize uniform motor vehicle accident reports and reporting procedures; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY

[HB 1334.](#)

By Representatives Seabaugh of the 34th, Crowe of the 118th, Kelley of the 16th, Hitchens of the 161st, and Vance of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Sections 16-3-24.2 and 51-11-9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to immunity from prosecution and exception, and immunity from civil liability for threat or use of force in defense of habitation, respectively, so as to provide for exemptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[HB 1335.](#)

By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Rhodes of the 124th, Williams of the 148th, Gaines of the 120th, and Washburn of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to revise staffing requirements for personal care homes, assisted living communities, and memory care centers; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

[HB 1336.](#)

By Representatives Smith of the 18th, Mathiak of the 74th, Lumsden of the 12th, and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to insurance generally, so as to allow a plan sponsor of a health benefit plan to consent on behalf of a covered person to the electronic transmittal or electronic posting of such plan; to allow the

covered person to opt out of such electronic transmittal or electronic posting; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INSURANCE

[HB 1337.](#)

By Representatives Cummings of the 39th, Stoner of the 40th, Campbell of the 35th, Adesanya of the 43rd, and Anulewicz of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Mableton to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1340.](#)

By Representatives Hilton of the 48th, Powell of the 33rd, Ballard of the 147th, Ridley of the 6th, and Momtahan of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to practice of applied behavior analysis, so as to provide for credentialing of qualified behavior analysts and qualified autism services practitioner-supervisors; to revise definitions; to provide for board membership; to provide for licensure qualifications; to provide for temporary licenses; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HEALTH

[HB 1341.](#)

By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, DeLoach of the 167th, Townsend of the 179th, Stephens of the 164th, Petrea of the 166th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other state symbols, so as to designate white shrimp as the official state crustacean; to provide legislative findings and declarations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on SPECIAL RULES

[HB 1342.](#)

By Representatives Lim of the 98th, Hawkins of the 27th, McClain of the 109th, and Mainor of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 12 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to protection of American Indian human remains and burial objects, so as to revise the membership of the Council on American Indian Concerns; to revise addresses of American Indian Tribes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on STATE PLANNING & COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

[HB 1343.](#)

By Representatives Lim of the 98th, Stephens of the 164th, and Buckner of the 137th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide Medicaid coverage for tobacco cessation treatments; to provide for requirements; to provide for submission of a state plan amendment or waiver, if necessary; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

[HB 1344.](#)

By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Cooper of the 45th, Hawkins of the 27th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, and Silcox of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 37 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions relative to the administration of mental health, developmental disabilities, addictive diseases, and other disability services, so as to allow for certain officials on the Behavioral Health Coordinating Council to be represented by a delegate or agent; to amend Article 10 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the O.C.G.A., relating to social services relative to children and adolescents with severe emotional problems, so as to repeal a provision relating to the submission of an annual report by the commissioner of behavioral health and developmental disabilities; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

[HB 1345.](#)

By Representatives Bell of the 75th, Clark of the 108th, Holly of the 116th, Holland of the 54th, and Scott of the 76th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-8-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council generally, so as to provide for a minimum number of basic training

courses for peace officers and required content of such courses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY

[*HB 1361.](#)

By Representatives Thomas of the 21st, Smith of the 18th, Silcox of the 53rd, Cheokas of the 151st, Reeves of the 99th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public health and morals, so as to prohibit distribution of computer generated obscene material depicting a child; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for affirmative defenses; to provide for other matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[*HB 1362.](#)

By Representatives Bonner of the 73rd and Mathiak of the 74th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-164 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local five mill share funds, so as to provide for a new deduction to be included in the calculation of the amount of each local school system's five mill share based on certain homestead exemptions provided by local Act; to provide for an effective date; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[*HB 1363.](#)

By Representatives Mathiak of the 74th, Hawkins of the 27th, Cooper of the 45th, Greene of the 154th, Jasperse of the 11th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the state employees' health insurance plan, so as to require that drugs dispensed to a covered person for self-administration under a state health plan be reimbursed using a transparent, index based price, plus a dispensing fee; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HEALTH

[HR 1164.](#)

By Representatives Hugley of the 141st, Smith of the 138th, Buckner of the 137th, Reese of the 140th, Jasperse of the 11th, and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of the Honorable Richard H. Smith and dedicating an interchange in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION

[HR 1165.](#)

By Representatives Smith of the 18th, Carpenter of the 4th, Scoggins of the 14th, Jasperse of the 11th, and Collins of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the qualifications, duties, and salary of the school superintendent shall be established by the board of education as provided by general law and to authorize the General Assembly to provide by law that local school superintendents shall be elected by voters as an alternative to being appointed by local boards of education, if approved by local referendum; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[HR 1166.](#)

By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, Houston of the 170th, Dickey of the 145th, Williams of the 148th, and Campbell of the 171st:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on the Exchange, Storage, and Bond Coverage of Agricultural Products, Grain, and Livestock; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[HR 1167.](#)

By Representatives Mitchell of the 88th and Campbell of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION to ratify an amendment to the United States Constitution; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HR 1168.](#)

By Representatives Hutchinson of the 106th, Frye of the 122nd, McClain of the 109th, Holly of the 116th, and Alexander of the 66th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to authorize the General Assembly to provide by law for the legalization and regulation of the cultivation, transportation, and sale of marijuana and marijuana-infused products; to permit individuals 21 years of age or older to possess and use limited

amounts of marijuana for personal use; to provide for the imposition of tax on the sale of marijuana; to provide for dedication of fees and taxes from the sale of marijuana; to provide for resentencing and record restriction for certain marijuana convictions; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[HR 1169.](#)

By Representatives Hutchinson of the 106th, Beverly of the 143rd, Park of the 107th, Prince of the 132nd, Frye of the 122nd, and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the House Study Committee on the Economic Advantages of Marijuana Legalization; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

SENATE FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
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[SB 232.](#)

By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st, and Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to courts, so as to provide for probate court fees; to provide for funding of the State Children's Trust Fund; to revise provisions regarding additional fees; to amend Code Section 25-10-4 of the O.C.G.A., relating to requirement of permit for conduct of fireworks display, application, imposition of conditions as to granting of permit, duration and transfer of permit, disposition of excess fireworks, and fees, and Chapter 6 of Title 29 of the O.C.G.A., relating to judges of probate courts as custodians of certain funds, so as to repeal a provision regarding compensation of probate court judges; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[SB 360.](#)

By Senators Hickman of the 4th, Dixon of the 45th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Anderson of the 24th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-260 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to capital outlay funds in elementary and secondary education, so as to provide that capital outlay funds may be used for educational facilities for voluntary pre-kindergarten programs provided by the school system; to provide that student projection counts may include pre-kindergarten; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[SB 370.](#)

By Senators Hodges of the 3rd, Watson of the 1st, Albers of the 56th, Hatchett of the 50th, and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-5-47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to posting model notice with human trafficking hotline information in business and on internet, so as to require certain establishments to post human trafficking hotline information; to amend Chapter 24A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to massage therapy practice, so as to provide for human trafficking awareness training for board members; to provide for inspections of

massage therapy practices; to require licensees to display a photograph along with their massage therapy practice licenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[SB 374.](#)

By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Ginn of the 47th, Halpern of the 39th, Anavitarte of the 31st, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, the "Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Act of 2021," so as to change provisions relating to land surveyor interns and professional land surveyors; to provide for educational requirements; to provide for apprenticeships; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[SB 449.](#)

By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Gooch of the 51st, Payne of the 54th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-7-12.8 of the O.C.G.A., relating to certification as nursing aid and employer sponsored training and competency examination program, to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to personnel regarding emergency medical services; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 26 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to licensed practical nurses; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES