

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
MONDAY, MARCH 04, 2024
TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

[HB 1431.](#)

By Representatives Greene of the 154th, Stephens of the 164th, Townsend of the 179th, Sainz of the 180th, and Williams of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-7-40.26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credits for film, gaming, video, or digital production, so as to provide for an additional credit for certain qualified productions that are shot in certain rural counties; to require the publication of a list of such counties; to provide for an application requirement; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[HB 1432.](#)

By Representatives Reeves of the 99th, Martinez of the 111th, Jackson of the 68th, Hutchinson of the 106th, Oliver of the 82nd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for a state administered guest worker program under the Commissioner of Labor; to provide for the purpose of such program; to provide definitions; to provide for the procedures for such program and the requirements to participate in such program; to provide for authorizations to participate in such program, identification cards, and renewals of authorizations; to provide for penalties for violations; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INDUSTRY AND LABOR

[HB 1433.](#)

By Representatives Tran of the 80th, Williams of the 168th, Hitchens of the 161st, Marin of the 96th, and Bruce of the 61st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to designate April 29 of each year as "Heritage and Freedom Flag of the Former Republic of Vietnam Day" in Georgia; to provide legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on SPECIAL RULES

[HB 1434.](#)

By Representatives Mughal of the 105th, Holcomb of the 81st, Reeves of the 99th, McCollum of the 30th, and Clark of the 100th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, exemptions, and credits, so as to create a tax credit for certain expenses by certain educators and first responders; to provide for definitions; to disallow related deductions; to provide for rules and regulations; 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 WAYS & MEANS

[HB 1435.](#)

By Representatives Hutchinson of the 106th, Barnes of the 86th, Drenner of the 85th, Crawford of the 84th, Willis of the 55th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to other educational programs, so as to establish a data base of all sports equity coordinators appointed by local school systems; to amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to university system, so as to provide that institutions of the University System of Georgia shall annually publish and submit a report concerning gender sports data to the board of regents; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to technical and adult education, so as to provide that certain postsecondary technical schools shall annually publish and submit a report concerning gender sports data to the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION

[HB 1436.](#)

By Representative Yeara of the 152nd:

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

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1437.](#)

By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th and Gambill of the 15th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 and Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance and state employees' health insurance plan and post-employment health benefit fund, respectively, so as to require coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infection (PANDAS) and pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome (PANS) in accordance with nationally recognized clinical practice guidelines; to provide for definitions; to allow for deductibles; to prohibit special deductibles; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INSURANCE

[HB 1438.](#)

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 for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -
LOCAL

[HB 1439.](#)

By Representatives Burchett of the 176th, Corbett of the 174th, and Draper of the 90th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations with proceeds disbursed to the general fund and the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, so as to establish a specialty license plate honoring the Okefenokee Swamp; to provide for the disposition of funds to the Okefenokee Swamp Park; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on MOTOR VEHICLES

[HB 1440.](#)

By Representatives Smith of the 138th, Burns of the 159th, Jones of the 25th, Efstration of the 104th, Burchett of the 176th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the OneGeorgia Authority, so as to enact the "Richard H. Smith Georgia CHIPS Advancement in Research and Economic Development Act"; to provide for definitions; to provide for grant and loan programs to incentivize and attract semiconductor companies to locate or relocate to this state; to provide for research and development and advanced packaging incentives to support such relocations; to provide for the establishment and purposes of the Kemp CHIPS Economic Development Fund and the Research and Development and Advanced Packaging Incentives Fund; to establish the Georgia CHIPS and Advanced Technology Consortium to serve as an advisory body; to provide for an executive committee and its duties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

[HR 1300.](#)

By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Jasperse of the 11th, Cox of the 28th, Barrett of the 24th, Jones of the 25th, and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Mr. Bobby Thomas and dedicating a road in his honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION

[HR 1301.](#)

By Representative Davis of the 87th:

A RESOLUTION urging the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the DeKalb County government to resolve sewage pollution and spills; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT

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[SB 180.](#)

By Senators Setzler of the 37th, Brass of the 28th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Gooch of the 51st, Payne of the 54th, and others:

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 provide for the preservation of religious freedom; to provide for legislative findings and determinations; to provide for the granting of relief; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[SB 198.](#)

By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Albers of the 56th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Rahman of the 5th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to governing and regulation of mental health, so as to create the Georgians with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Innovation Commission; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for members and officers; to provide for meetings, agendas, quorum, and compensation; to provide for the commission's duties and powers; to provide for consultation with subject matter experts designated by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities and the Department of Community Health; to provide for subcommittees; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

[SB 202.](#)

By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Hatchett of the 50th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Orrock of the 36th, Goodman of the 8th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 11 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public school property and facilities, so as to provide for an outdoor learning spaces pilot program; to provide for a pilot program evaluation and report; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[SB 208.](#)

By Senators Dolezal of the 27th, Still of the 48th, and Dixon of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 71 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to development impact fees, so as to provide for development impact fees for education; to provide for definitions; to provide for the manner of calculation, imposition, and collection of such fees; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date and for automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[SB 307.](#)

By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Watson of the 1st, Walker III of the 20th, Butler of the 55th, and Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 46 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to certification of private review agents, so as to provide for health insurers to implement and maintain a program that allows for the selective application of reductions in prior authorization requirements under certain circumstances; to provide for an annual filing; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; 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

[SB 347.](#)

By Senator Anavitarte of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-6-2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the number of judges of superior courts, so as to provide for an additional judge of the superior courts of the Tallapoosa Judicial Circuit; to provide for the appointment of such additional judge by the Governor; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION

[SB 371.](#)

By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Jones of the 10th, Robertson of the 29th, Butler of the 55th, Albers of the 56th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of workers' compensation; to provide for definitions; to amend Article 5 of Chapter 9 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to law enforcement officers, firemen, prison guards, and publicly employed emergency medical technicians, so as to provide compensation to

eligible peace officers from the State Indemnification Fund; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY

[SB 390.](#)

By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dolezal of the 27th, Setzler of the 37th, Watson of the 1st, Tillery of the 19th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to libraries; to amend Chapter 80 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., relating to provisions applicable to counties, municipal corporations, and other governmental entities; to amend Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to professions and businesses, so as to repeal Chapter 24, relating to librarians; to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general authority, duties, and procedure of the Department of Administrative Services; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION

[SB 395.](#)

By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Watson of the 11th, Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, and Halpern of the 39th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 16 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student health in elementary and secondary education, so as to authorize the possession of opioid antagonists in schools; to define a term; to authorize schools to maintain a stock supply of opioid antagonists; to authorize trained school personnel to administer opioid antagonists and carry opioid antagonists on their person; to provide for immunity; to provide for activation of the emergency medical services system and notification of emergency contacts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[SB 407.](#)

By Senators James of the 35th and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to require the documenting of certain information in incidents of family violence; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY

[SB 414.](#)

By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Albers of the 56th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state printing and documents, so as to prohibit the collecting of certain personal information; to prohibit the release of certain personal information; to create exceptions; to exclude certain information from state open records laws; to create the crime of improper collection or disclosure of personal information; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[SB 420.](#)

By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Goodman of the 8th, Beach of the 21st, Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to agriculture, so as to prohibit the acquisition of possessory interest in certain land by certain foreign persons and entities; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for civil actions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for disclosures; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[SB 422.](#)

By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Gooch of the 51st, Summers of the 13th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Esteves of the 6th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to modify the percentage limitation as to the amount of the investments an electric membership corporation may make and maintain in a gas affiliate; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES & TELECOMMUNICATIONS

[SB 425.](#)

By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st, Summers of the 13th, and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 19 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the regulation of the practice of law and general provisions regarding notaries public, respectively, so as to provide for the modernization of certain legal, notarial, and court services using electronic means; to

provide for criminal penalties and civil liability, including compensatory and other damages; to provide for class action lawsuits; 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

[SB 437.](#)

By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Watson of the 11th, Strickland of the 17th, and Sims of the 12th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agriculture, so as to authorize the Department of Agriculture to enforce certain criminal laws; to regulate consumable hemp products; to provide for definitions; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; 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 the sale of consumable hemp products to individuals under the age of 21 years; to require the posting of certain signs concerning the legal age to purchase consumable hemp products; to provide penalties for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[SB 451.](#)

By Senators Islam Parkes of the 7th, Payne of the 54th, Anderson of the 43rd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Harbison of the 15th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 38 of the O.C.G.A., relating to veteran benefits, so as to place certain requirement on the Department of Veterans Service; to amend Title 7 of the O.C.G.A., relating to banking and finance, so as to create a voluntary loan program at certain financial institutions to assist veterans; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48, relating to reimbursement relating to imposition, rate, and computation, and exemptions from income taxes; to provide for definitions; to provide for reporting; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on BANKS & BANKING

[SB 454.](#)

By Senators Strickland of the 17th and Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alimony and child support, so as to provide for guidelines

for child support award calculations; to provide definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUVENILE JUSTICE

[SB 457.](#)

By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Parent of the 42nd, Summers of the 13th, Williams of the 25th, and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the O.C.G.A., relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to reestablish a consumer utility counsel to represent consumers in matters before the Public Service Commission or other agencies concerning public utilities; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[SB 460.](#)

By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, and Still of the 48th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to physicians, acupuncture, physician assistants, cancer and glaucoma treatment, respiratory care, clinical perfusionists, and orthotics and prosthetics practice, so as to revise provisions relating to the number of advanced practice registered nurses and physician assistants that a physician can authorize and supervise at any one time; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[SB 464.](#)

By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Payne of the 54th, Still of the 48th, Echols of the 49th, Anavitarte of the 31st, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to teachers and other school personnel, so as to establish the School Supplies for Teachers Program, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and the availability of other funds for such purpose; to provide for a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[SB 469.](#)

By Senators Esteves of the 6th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Butler of the 55th, Gooch of the 51st, Parent of the 42nd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 11 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, so as to increase the maximum amount of contributions allowed per beneficiary of savings trust accounts for higher education expenses; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION

[SB 472.](#)

By Senators Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th, Esteves of the 6th, Brass of the 28th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 36 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to online marketplace requirements, so as to revise certain definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[SB 479.](#)

By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Burns of the 23rd, and Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 14 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to secondary metals recyclers, so as to provide for applicability of the definition of the term "used, detached catalytic converters" to said article; to remove the exception for used, detached catalytic converters from the application of said article; to provide for certain registration requirements for secondary metals recyclers; to provide for the use of certain registration fees; to provide for records and reporting; to make conforming changes; 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 AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[SB 480.](#)

By Senators Hodges of the 3rd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Watson of the 1st, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Summers of the 13th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Board of Health Care Workforce, so as to provide for student loan repayment for mental health and substance use professionals serving in certain capacities; to provide for definitions; to authorize the board to approve applications; to provide for eligibility requirements; to provide for loan repayment

agreements and conditions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for appropriations contingency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

[SB 490.](#)

By Senators Cowser of the 46th, Albers of the 56th, Kennedy of the 18th, Robertson of the 29th, Gooch of the 51st, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the felony offense of fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer; to provide for penalties; 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 PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY

[SB 493.](#)

By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Summers of the 13th, Strickland of the 17th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the sexual offender risk review board, so as to provide for additional penalties for registered sexual offenders convicted of photographing a minor without the consent of the minor's parent or guardian; to provide that such persons are prohibited from possessing, owning, or operating an unmanned aircraft system with the intent to photograph, observe, follow, or contact any person without his or her consent; to provide for criminal penalties; to provide for definitions; 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 JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[SB 495.](#)

By Senators Watson of the 11th, Brass of the 28th, Esteves of the 6th, Watson of the 1st, and Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-2A-18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Low THC Oil Patient Registry, so as to provide for the term of validity of a registration card; to provide for delivery of registration cards; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[SB 496.](#)

By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Ginn of the 47th, Payne of the 54th, Williams of the 25th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to provide for extension of preferential assessment periods for certain historic properties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[SB 502.](#)

By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Hatchett of the 50th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Albers of the 56th, and Beach of the 21st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure of the Department of Administrative Services, so as to prohibit state agencies from contracting for advertising or marketing services with certain companies or from supporting certain companies; to provide for definitions; to provide for certifications; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[SB 503.](#)

By Senators Brass of the 28th, Summers of the 13th, Dolezal of the 27th, Ginn of the 47th, Harbison of the 15th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to professions and businesses, so as to amend Chapter 41, relating to residential and general contractors; to rename the general contractor license as a commercial general contractor license and to make conforming amendments throughout; to change certain provisions relating to the membership, qualifications, terms, and meetings of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[SB 505.](#)

By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Cowsert of the 46th, Watson of the 1st, Dolezal of the 27th, Gooch of the 51st, and others:

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 provisions relating to required publication by hospital of certain financial documents on its website; to provide for uniform reporting requirements; to require

hospitals to annually provide the Uniform Resource Locator for the webpage containing the financial documents; to provide for increased penalties for noncompliance; 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

[SB 507.](#)

By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Kennedy of the 18th, Dolezal of the 27th, Anavitarte of the 31st, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations and qualified motor vehicles or drivers with proceeds deposited into the general fund, so as to establish an "America First" specialty license plate; to provide for conditions for the production of such license plates; to provide for discontinuing the manufacture of such license plates in certain instances; to provide for the disposition of funds to the general fund; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on MOTOR VEHICLES

[SB 508.](#)

By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Albers of the 56th, Strickland of the 17th, Tillery of the 19th, Robertson of the 29th, and others:

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 duties of the Administrative Office of the Courts relative to accessibility of certain personal information of state and federal judges, justices, and spouses thereof; to amend Code Section 36-32-40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to creation of Council of Municipal Court Judges, membership and organization, purpose, expenses, contracts, assistance to council, and members not ineligible to hold office of judge, so as to require submission of certain information to the Council of Magistrate Court Judges; to provide for and revise definitions; 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

[SB 512.](#)

By Senators Still of the 48th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Esteves of the 6th, Dolezal of the 27th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 21 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to payment and disposition of fines and forfeitures, so as to create the Victims of Human Trafficking Fund and the Victims of Human Trafficking Fund Commission; to amend Code Section 16-6-13.3 of the O.C.G.A., relating to civil forfeiture of proceeds and

property, so as to provide for the forfeiture of proceeds or money which is used, intended for use, used in any manner to facilitate, or derived from the criminal offense of trafficking of persons for labor or sexual servitude; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[SB 517.](#)

By Senator Robertson of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to justification and excuse under defenses to criminal prosecutions, so as to provide for immunity from certain criminal prosecutions against law enforcement officers whose threat or use of force is justified or otherwise lawful; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding defenses to tort actions, so as to provide for immunity from civil liability against law enforcement officers whose threat or use of force is justified or otherwise lawful; 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 JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[SB 533.](#)

By Senator Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 17-7-130 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to proceedings upon plea of mental incompetency to stand trial, so as to provide for jail-based competency restoration programs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL

[SB 534.](#)

By Senators Mallow of the 2nd, Esteves of the 6th, Goodman of the 8th, Still of the 48th, and Merritt of the 9th:

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, the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as provide that the failure of a marketplace innkeeper to provide a consumer with an itemized receipt detailing certain taxes and fees is an unlawful business practice; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[SB 542.](#)

By Senators Watson of the 11th, Kennedy of the 18th, and Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water rights, so as to remove references to the public trust doctrine; to provide legislative findings relative to the public's right to use navigable streams; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[SB 543.](#)

By Senators Brass of the 28th and Hodges of the 3rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bingo, so as to change certain provisions relating to bingo games operated by nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations; to remove certain limitations regarding premises on which such bingo games may be held; to change certain provisions relating to the prizes and proceeds of such bingo games; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on REGULATED INDUSTRIES

[SB 547.](#)

By Senators Beach of the 21st, Dolezal of the 27th, Still of the 48th, and Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to safe operations of motor carriers, commercial motor vehicles, and drivers and safe transportation of hazardous materials, so as to update the reference date to federal regulations regarding the safe operation of motor carriers and commercial motor vehicles; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on MOTOR VEHICLES

[SR 82.](#)

By Senators Summers of the 13th, Still of the 48th, Moore of the 53rd, Watson of the 1st, Hufstetler of the 52nd, and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the tax commissioner, subject to local governing authority approval, to waive certain delinquent ad valorem property taxes, penalty, and interest for the purpose of placing non-revenue

generating and tax delinquent property back to effective utilization status; to provide for procedures and conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on WAYS & MEANS

[SR 189.](#)

By Senator Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the General Assembly may by general law authorize local boards of education to impose, levy, and collect development impact fees and use the proceeds to pay for a share of the cost of additional educational facilities; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[SR 616.](#)

By Senators Still of the 48th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Esteves of the 6th, Dolezal of the 27th, and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the General Assembly by general law may provide for the allocation of certain additional penalties and assessments to the Victims of Human Trafficking Fund for the purpose of providing care and rehabilitative and social services to individuals in this state who have been or may be sexually exploited; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL