

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE  
MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023  
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY

\*Rules Suspended

[HB 709.](#)

By Representatives Washburn of the 144th, Dickey of the 145th, and Knight of the 134th:  
A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Forsyth, approved May 5, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 3542), so as to revise provisions related to the powers of the city manager related to appointment of department heads; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -  
LOCAL

[HB 710.](#)

By Representative Cheokas of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Schley County; to provide for its powers and duties; to provide for definitions; to provide for the composition of the board and the selection, qualifications, terms, and removal of members; to provide for vacancies; to provide for oaths and privileges; to provide for the conduct of primaries and elections; to provide for meetings; to authorize the conduct of municipal elections; to allow for joint primaries; to authorize expenditure of public funds; to provide compensation for board members and staff; to provide for offices, supplies, and other materials; to provide for the transfer of powers, duties, facilities, and personal property; 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 711.](#)

By Representatives Reeves of the 99th, Efstration of the 104th, Clark of the 108th, McClain of the 109th, Mughal of the 105th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a homestead exemption of \$4,000.00 from all county school district ad valorem taxation, except taxes levied to retire bonded indebtedness, which applies to the homestead of each resident of the Gwinnett County school district actually occupied by the owner as a residence and homestead, approved March 24, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 4199), so as to increase said homestead exemption to \$8,000.00; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to

provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to provide for 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 712.](#)

By Representatives Davis of the 87th, Beverly of the 143rd, Mitchell of the 88th, Schofield of the 63rd, Scott of the 76th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 5 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to program weights and funding requirements under Quality Basic Education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[\\*HB 717.](#)

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

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for a homestead exemption from Forsyth County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes, through tax year 2035, in an amount equal to the amount by which the current year assessed value of a homestead exceeds the adjusted base year assessed value of such homestead; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; 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

[HR 449.](#)

By Representatives Cooper of the 45th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Seabaugh of the 34th, Washburn of the 144th, and Evans of the 89th:

A RESOLUTION designating Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Awareness Day; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

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[SB 287.](#)

By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act relating to the Board of Education of the City of Decatur, approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4351), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 20, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 4458), so as to reapportion the board of education election districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -  
LOCAL

[SB 288.](#)

By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for a period of five years in the amount of \$200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose income does not exceed \$62,000.00; to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for a period of five years in the amount of \$200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION -  
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