

FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY

*Rules Suspended

[HB 1403.](#)

By Representatives Martinez of the 111th, Reeves of the 99th, Leverett of the 123rd, Bonner of the 73rd, Scoggins of the 14th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to courts, so as to provide for service by judges, justices, court officers, and other individuals as a judge advocate in certain capacities; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HB 1404.](#)

By Representative Stephens of the 164th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Pooler 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 1405.](#)

By Representatives Hong of the 103rd, Rice of the 139th, Ballard of the 147th, Crowe of the 118th, and Holcomb of the 101st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to delinquency, so as to provide for cognitive behavioral therapy for certain children in restrictive custody with the Department of Juvenile Justice; to provide for criteria and evaluation for participation; to require DJJ to provide such services; to provide for a minimum number of hours of provided therapy for such children; to require DJJ to annually produce a report on the provision of such services; to provide for contents and recipients of such report; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY, JUVENILE

[HB 1406.](#)

By Representatives Adeyina of the 110th, Anderson of the 10th, Jones of the 25th, Holly of the 116th, Burnough of the 77th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 21-2-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for publication of calls of election on newspaper and government websites; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HB 1407.](#)

By Representatives Leverett of the 123rd, Gullett of the 19th, Reeves of the 99th, and Gunter of the 8th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to trials under the "Civil Practice Act," so as to provide for scheduling of civil trials; to provide for trial calendars for certain civil actions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY

[HB 1408.](#)

By Representatives Camp of the 135th, Hagan of the 156th, Cooper of the 45th, Cox of the 28th, Jasperse of the 11th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 19 of Title 31 and Chapter 50 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of rabies and veterinarians and veterinary technicians, respectively, so as to authorize licensed veterinary technicians under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian to administer antirabies vaccinations to animals required by this state to be inoculated against rabies; to update terminology and make conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER AFFAIRS

[HB 1409.](#)

By Representatives Camp of the 135th, Persinger of the 119th, Dempsey of the 13th, Hatchett of the 155th, Rice of the 139th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to provisions relative to parent and child relationship generally, so as to revise mandated reporting of child abuse; to provide for definitions; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide for the use of a secure web

based reporting platform; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY, JUVENILE

[HB 1410.](#)

By Representatives Cummings of the 39th, Schofield of the 63rd, Davis of the 87th, and Scott of the 76th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 and Chapter 2A of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education and the Department of Public Health, respectively, so as to modernize vision screening and literacy readiness requirements for elementary and secondary school students; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings and intent; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[HB 1411.](#)

By Representatives Glaize of the 67th, Neal of the 79th, Erwin of the 32nd, Hagan of the 156th, Stephens of the 164th, 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 under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to include domestic violence prevention in the existing program for teen dating violence prevention for students in grade eight through grade 12; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[HB 1412.](#)

By Representatives McDonald III of the 26th, Efstoration of the 104th, Hitchens of the 161st, Burchett of the 176th, Hatchett of the 155th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 21 of Title 15 and Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to payment and disposition of fines and forfeitures and arrests, trials, and appeals relative to prosecution of traffic offenses, respectively, so as to provide for payment of certain money arising from traffic fines generated by members of the Uniform Division of the Department of Public Safety to the general fund of the state treasury; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY

[HB 1416.](#)

By Representatives Horner of the 3rd, Ridley of the 22nd, Ridley of the 6th, Persinger of the 119th, and Barrett of the 24th:

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 the imposition, rate, computation, exemptions, and credits for state income tax, so as to exclude tips from taxation; to provide for reporting by employers; to provide for a definition; 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 1417.](#)

By Representatives Campbell of the 35th, Lupton of the 83rd, Erwin of the 32nd, Wilkerson of the 38th, Carter of the 93rd, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-157 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to uniform reporting system for certain purposes, dual credit courses, and academic eligibility requirements to receive HOPE scholarship, so as to provide for the inclusion of advanced placement, international baccalaureate, and Cambridge fine arts courses in the calculation of grade point averages for determining student eligibility for the HOPE scholarships and other scholarships; to provide for applicability; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION

[HB 1418.](#)

By Representatives Adeyina of the 110th, Jones of the 25th, Schofield of the 63rd, Beckles of the 96th, Davis of the 87th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to authorize local governments to establish resource recovery programs in order to reduce hunger and food waste and to utilize a digital platform for such programs; to provide requirements for digital platforms; to limit liability of participants in certain circumstances; to provide definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on TECHNOLOGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE
INNOVATION

[HB 1419.](#)

By Representatives Franklin of the 160th, Stephens of the 164th, Ridley of the 6th, Gullett of the 19th, Gambill of the 15th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapters 6 and 34 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to unfair trade practices and motor vehicle accident reparations, respectively, so as to provide for timely claims processing in supplemental estimates for repairs under motor vehicle liability insurance policies; to provide for unfair claims settlement practices; to provide for written explanations; to provide for definitions; 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 1420.](#)

By Representatives Franklin of the 160th, Stephens of the 164th, Ridley of the 6th, Gullett of the 19th, Gambill of the 15th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapters 6 and 34 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to unfair trade practices and motor vehicle accident reparations, respectively, so as to provide for original equipment manufacturer repair procedures for repairs under motor vehicle liability insurance policies; to provide for unfair claims settlement practices; to provide for definitions; 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 1421.](#)

By Representatives Franklin of the 160th, Stephens of the 164th, Ridley of the 6th, Gullett of the 19th, Gambill of the 15th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapters 6 and 34 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to unfair trade practices and motor vehicle accident reparations, respectively, so as to prohibit improper steering to repair facilities under motor vehicle liability insurance policies; to provide for unfair claims settlement practices; to provide for the selection of a repair facility; to provide for payment for repairs; to provide for certain disclosures and notifications; to provide for definitions; 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 1422.](#)

By Representatives Gisler of the 121st, Clark of the 108th, Au of the 50th, Bazemore of the 69th, Campbell of the 35th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 20 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding personnel administration, so as to add stillbirth as a qualifying event for parental leave for eligible state employees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

[*HB 1445.](#)

By Representatives Townsend of the 179th, Efstration of the 104th, Tran of the 80th, Hagan of the 156th, Franklin of the 160th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 12 of Article 6 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to disposition of delinquency in the juvenile code, so as to authorize sharing of GPS monitoring with law enforcement and school districts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on JUDICIARY, JUVENILE

[*HB 1446.](#)

By Representatives Leverett of the 123rd, Rhodes of the 124th, Williamson of the 112th, Powell of the 33rd, and Gaines of the 120th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to emergency medical services, so as to transfer responsibility for the oversight of emergency medical services from the Department of Public Health to the Georgia Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Council; to provide for legislative findings; to update terminology and provide for conforming changes; to provide for construction; to amend various titles of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to make conforming changes; 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

[*HB 1447.](#)

By Representatives Camp of the 135th, Mathiak of the 82nd, Ballard of the 147th, Hagan of the 156th, Cox of the 28th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 86 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local government efficiency, so as to provide for a comprehensive efficiency review of local taxing bodies; to provide for a report; to

provide for a penalty; to permit use of certain grant funds; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[*HB 1448.](#)

By Representatives Anderson of the 10th, Yearta of the 152nd, Leverett of the 123rd, Dempsey of the 13th, Richardson of the 125th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local government, so as to provide for comprehensive regulation of local government assets financing; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative purpose; to provide for certain tax-exempt status of the authority, the authority's property, and the authority's activities; to provide for cumulative effect of the foregoing; to provide for liberal construction of the foregoing; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

[HR 1427.](#)

By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, Hitchens of the 161st, Willis of the 55th, DeLoach of the 167th, and Townsend of the 179th:

A RESOLUTION urging Congress to pass the Thiokol Memorial Gold Medal Act; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on SPECIAL RULES

SENATE FIRST READERS IN HOUSE
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[SB 398.](#)

By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Strickland of the 42nd, Robertson of the 29th, Bearden of the 30th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to wiretapping, eavesdropping, surveillance, and related offenses, so as to establish criminal offenses of virtual peeping; to prohibit the use of a generative artificial intelligence system to generate images of individuals with the knowledge that such generation was without authorization or consent; to provide for penalties; to provide for an exception; to provide for definitions; 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 409.](#)

By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Harbin of the 16th, Robertson of the 29th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Harbison of the 15th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of rates, underwriting rules, and related organizations, so as to provide for homeowner protections with regard to insurance companies' use of aerial or satellite images; to provide for definitions; to provide for certain procedures; to require that homeowners be allowed 60 days to correct; to provide for regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on INSURANCE

[SB 427.](#)

By Senators Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Jackson of the 41st, Anavitarte of the 31st, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice relative to physicians, so as to provide for limited provisional licenses and a pathway to licensure for certain internationally trained physicians; to provide for definitions; to provide for qualifications and conditions; to provide for penalties, license sanctions, and enforcement; to provide for one or more medical directors; to provide for annual reports; to provide for rules,

regulations and procedures; to provide for conditional automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on HEALTH

[SB 440.](#)

By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hatchett of the 50th, Watson of the 1st, Echols of the 49th, Brass of the 6th, and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 16, 19, 31, 48, and 49 of the O.C.G.A., relating to crimes and offenses, domestic relations, health, revenue and taxation, and social services, respectively, so as to modernize and update provisions relative to duties or functions of the Department of Public Health; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY HEALTH