SENATE FIRST READERS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024

SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 361. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th, Ginn of the 47th, Robertson of the 29th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-14-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings open to the public, limitation on action to contest agency action, recording, notice of time and place, access to minutes, and teleconferences, so as to increase the number of authorized nonemergency teleconference meetings in which members of nonstatewide agencies can participate each year; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Government Oversight Committee.

SB 362. By Senators Hodges of the 3rd, Still of the 48th, Summers of the 13th, Echols of the 49th, Robertson of the 29th 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 requirements relative to employee representation by a labor organization for employers to receive certain economic development incentives from the state; to provide for definitions; to provide for a penalty; to provide for applicability; to provide for oversight; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Insurance and Labor Committee.

SB 363. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Goodman of the 8th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Public Safety Training Center, so as to provide for establishment of a Georgia Public Safety Training Center law enforcement unit; to provide for jurisdiction, powers, and duties for peace officers appointed to such unit; to authorize the issuance of motor vehicles, uniforms, and weaponry to such peace officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Public Safety Committee.

SB 364. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Summers of the 13th, Still of the 48th and Anavitarte of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to provide for a statewide homestead exemption from ad valorem taxes in an amount equal to any amount by which the current year assessed value of a homestead exceeds the lesser of 3 percent or the inflation rate from the adjusted base year value of such homestead; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Finance Committee.

SB 365. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th, Gooch of the 51st, Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for notification to parents and legal guardians of public school students of the right to receive email notification each time their child obtains school library materials; to identify materials that are subject to the complaint resolution policy for materials "harmful to minors," as set forth in Code Section 20-2-324.6; to provide for definitions; to repeal Code Section 20-2-720, relating to inspection of students' records by parents, for purposes of conformity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Education and Youth Committee.

SB 366. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Tillery of the 19th, Dolezal of the 27th, Albers of the 56th, Still of the 48th and others:

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 revise provisions related to the adoption and contents of general appropriations bills; to revise provisions for certain economic analyses; to revise the legislative review of taxation; to provide a definition; to establish the Joint Committee on Taxation and Economic Development; to provide for membership, officers, meetings, authority, reports, cooperation, and expenses; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Finance Committee.

SB 367. By Senators Williams of the 25th, Payne of the 54th, Still of the 48th, Setzler of the 37th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to eliminate authorization for the use of ballot drop boxes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Ethics Committee.

SB 368. By Senators Williams of the 25th, Burns of the 23rd, Dolezal of the 27th, Robertson of the 29th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to government transparency and campaign finance, so as to prohibit foreign nationals from contributing to candidates or campaign committees; to prohibit candidates and campaign committees from accepting contributions from foreign nationals; to provide for definitions; to require agents of foreign principals to register with the State Ethics Commissioner; to provide for registration requirements; to require agents of foreign principals to disclose to government agencies and the General Assembly when such agents are advocating on behalf of a foreign principal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Ethics Committee.

SB 369. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Albers of the 56th, Robertson of the 29th, Parent of the 42nd, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles generally, so as to provide for the issuance of license plates commemorating the United States of America's semiquincentennial; to provide for the selection of the design for such license plate; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to provide for automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Public Safety Committee.

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 Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee.

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 Judiciary Committee.

SB 372. By Senators Islam Parkes of the 7th, Butler of the 55th, Jackson of the 41st, Mallow of the 2nd, Esteves of the 6th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt the sale or use of certain goods designed and customarily used for child-rearing; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to Finance Committee.

SR 450. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Echols of the 49th and Jackson of the 41st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 451. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Robertson of the 29th, Harbin of the 16th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Rockmart Yellowjackets football team on their outstanding 2023 season; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 452. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Hatchett of the 50th, Dixon of the 45th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 7, 2024, as Lions Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 453. By Senators Williams of the 25th, Payne of the 54th, Still of the 48th, Watson of the 1st, Setzler of the 37th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Georgia Military College and congratulating the preparatory school's JROTC team on being the 2023 Raider National Champions (Mixed Team); and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 454. By Senators Williams of the 25th, Payne of the 54th, Still of the 48th, Watson of the 1st, Setzler of the 37th and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to clarify that only citizens of the United States shall have a right to vote in elections in this state; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to Ethics Committee.

SR 455. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Brass of the 28th, Jackson of the 41st, Merritt of the 9th, Burns of the 23rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 7, 2024, as Children's Advocacy Centers of Georgia Day in the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 456. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Watson of the 1st, Harbin of the 16th, Butler of the 55th, Payne of the 54th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention and its Georgia chapter; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 457. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Albers of the 56th, Hatchett of the 50th, Burns of the 23rd, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Haley Lewis, the 2023 Employee of the Year for the Department of Community Supervision; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 458. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Jones II of the 22nd and Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Darryl Orlando Ledbetter, Esq.; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 459. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Jones II of the 22nd and Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Kyle M. Jones; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 460. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Jones II of the 22nd and Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Julius G. Abraham; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 461. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Jones II of the 22nd and Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Charles M. McCord; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 462. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Esteves of the 6th, Orrock of the 36th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Islam Parkes of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Judge Kellie Hill; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 463. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Esteves of the 6th, Orrock of the 36th and Islam Parkes of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Makia Metzger on her outstanding public service; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 464. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Esteves of the 6th, Orrock of the 36th, Islam Parkes of the 7th and Setzler of the 37th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Judge Angela Brown on her outstanding public service; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 465. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th, Tillery of the 19th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Special Committee on Investigations; to provide for the issuance of compulsory process to secure the attendance of witnesses or the production of documents and materials; and for other purposes.

Referred to Rules Committee.