

**SENATE FIRST READERS**

FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2026

THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

**SB 627.** By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st and Bearden of the 30th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Dallas ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the amount of \$50,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that city; 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 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 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to State and Local Governmental Operations Committee.

**SB 628.** By Senator Burns of the 23rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the consolidation of Richmond County and the City of Augusta, approved March 27, 1995 (Ga. L. 1995, p. 3648), as amended, so as to provide for a council-manager form of government; 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 provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to State and Local Governmental Operations (General) Committee.

**SR 994.** By Senator Bearden of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Donald Newman; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 995. By Senator Bearden of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Honda Georgia Transmission Plant upon its 20th anniversary; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 996. By Senator Harbin of the 16th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Rock Springs Christian Academy wrestling team for winning the 2026 GAPPS State Wrestling Championship; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 997. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Bearden of the 30th, Brass of the 6th, Setzler of the 37th, Hatchett of the 50th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the North Paulding High School Girls Basketball Team for winning the 2026 Georgia High School Association Class 6A State Championship and for their outstanding athletic achievements; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 998. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Jones II of the 22nd, Still of the 48th, Dixon of the 45th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the 2026 Senate Aides and Senate Academic Aides for their exemplary service; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

SR 999. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Cowsert of the 46th, Brass of the 6th, Still of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Kevin F. Curtin upon his retirement; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

**SR 1000.** By Senators Albers of the 56th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Still of the 48th, Walker III of the 20th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Speaker Pro Tempore Jan Jones for her extraordinary service to the State of Georgia upon the occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

Read and Adopted.

**SR 1001.** By Senators McNeel of the 18th and Williams of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Jimmy Neal Lawson, Sr., and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to Transportation Committee.

**SR 1002.** By Senators McNeel of the 18th and Williams of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Neva Jane Langley Fickling and dedicating a road in her memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to Transportation Committee.

**HB 1339.** By Representatives Hugley of the 141st, Buckner of the 137th and Reese of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a new charter for the county-wide government of Columbus, Georgia, approved April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4978), as amended, so as to revise provisions for filling vacancies in the office of mayor or councilor; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to State and Local Governmental Operations Committee.